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OF  
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ANCIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

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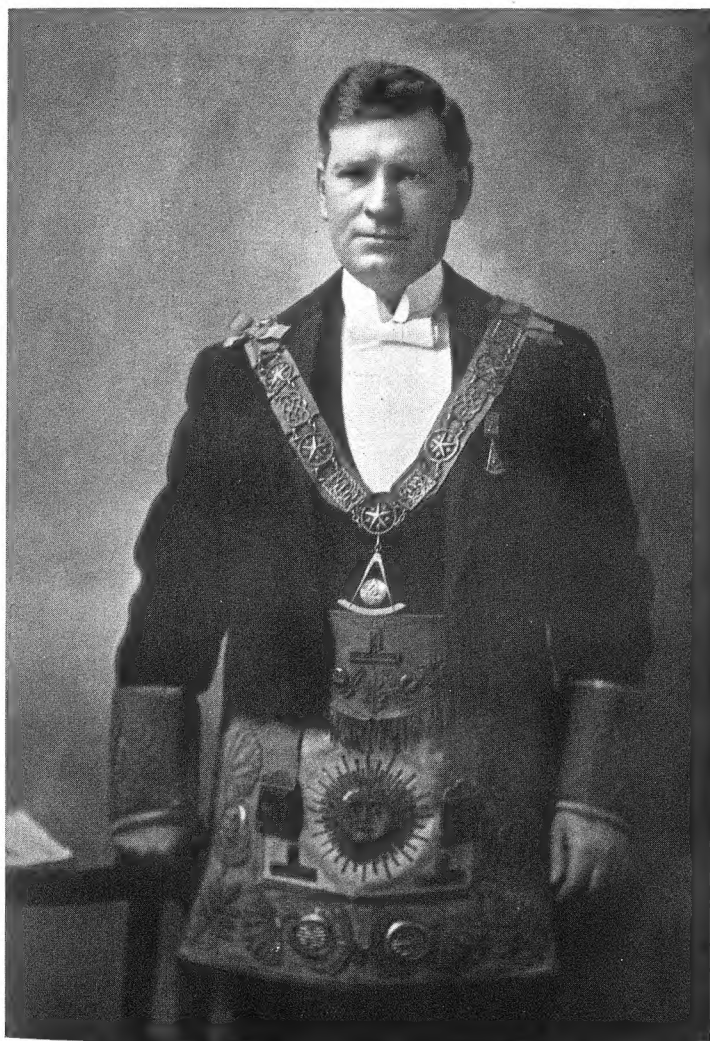
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| M.W. Bro. S. Y. TAYLOR      | . | . | . | Grand Master    |
| M.W. Bro. Dr.. G. MACDONALD | . | . | . | Grand Secretary |

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# Grand Lodge.

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## ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

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The Tenth Annual Communication of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Alberta, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, was opened in the Masonic Temple in the City of Red Deer, Province of Alberta, on Wednesday, May 26th, A.D. 1915, A.L. 5915, at the hour of 10 o'clock, a.m.

### PRESENT

#### GRAND OFFICERS

|                                                   |                              |
|---------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson (18), Lethbridge -- | Grand Master                 |
| R.W. Bro S. Y. Taylor (28), Calgary -----         | Deputy Grand Master          |
| R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), Edmonton-----        | Senior Grand Warden          |
| R.W. Bro W. M. Connacher (9), Calgary----         | Junior Grand Warden          |
| R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), Calgary-----        | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. Geo. Murray (2), Medicine Hat-----      | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. W. F. Puffer (10), Lacombe-----         | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. R. H. Struthers (55), Bassano-----      | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. A. R. Dempster (6), Pincher-----        | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. W. J. Seed (24), Vermilion-----         | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. John Wilson (61), Provost-----          | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. R. A. Hopkins (33), Stavely-----        | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. S. H. Riggs (27), Stettler-----         | D.D.G.M.                     |
| R.W. Bro. Dr. N. J. Lindsay (1), Calgary-----     | Grand Treasurer              |
| M.W. Bro. Dr. G. Macdonald (1), Calgary-----      | Grand Secretary              |
| R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott (2), Medicine Hat-----    | Grand Registrar              |
| V.W. Bro. Geo. Hill (28), Calgary-----            | Senior Grand Deacon          |
| V.W. Bro. G. W. Leach (31), Taber-----            | Junior Grand Deacon          |
| V.W. Bro. D. Hope (1), Calgary---                 | Grand Director of Ceremonies |
| V.W. Bro. R. S. Peacock (48), Crossfield-----     | Grand Steward                |
| V.W. Bro. R. C. Bruce (54), Calgary-----          | Grand Tyler                  |

## PAST GRAND OFFICERS

|                                                  |                          |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| M.W. Bro. Dr. E. A. Braithwaite (7), Edmonton    | Past Grand Master        |
| M.W. Bro. T. McNabb (4), Lethbridge              | Past Grand Master        |
| M.W. Bro. Dr. G. Macdonald (1), Calgary          | Past Grand Master        |
| M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Hogbin (1),<br>Calgary | Past Grand Master        |
| M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), Calgary               | Past Grand Master        |
| M.W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), Macleod              | Past Grand Master        |
| M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), Calgary           | Past Grand Master        |
| R.W. Bro. T. F. English (23), Calgary            | Past Senior Grand Warden |
| R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), Calgary           | Past Grand Registrar     |
| R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (53), Calgary             | Past Grand Registrar     |
| R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart (35), Medicine Hat    | Past D.D.G.M.            |
| R.W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe (23), Calgary            | Past D.D.G.M.            |

## REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FOLLOWING GRAND LODGES

|                      |                                  |            |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|------------|
| Arkansas             | R.W. Bro. Dr. N. J. Lindsay      | Calgary    |
| British Columbia     | R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis     | Cowley     |
| Canada               | R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor           | Calgary    |
| Delaware             | M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald        | Calgary    |
| District of Columbia | M.W. Bro. R. Patterson           | Macleod    |
| England              | M.W. Bro. Dr. E. A. Braithwaite  | Edmonton   |
| Georgia              | R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge       | Camrose    |
| Idaho                | M.W. Bro. Thos. McNabb           | Turin      |
| Kansas               | M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair            | Calgary    |
| Maine                | R.W. Bro. C. W. E. Gardiner      | Macleod    |
| Manitoba             | M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Hogbin | Calgary    |
| Maryland             | R.W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz            | Red Deer   |
| New Brunswick        | W. Bro. W. F. W. Lent            | Calgary    |
| New Hampshire        | W. Bro. H. J. Robie              | Calgary    |
| New South Wales      | M.W. Bro. Dr. G. Macdonald       | Calgary    |
| New Zealand          | W. Bro. Dr. H. L. McInnis        | Edmonton   |
| North Carolina       | R.W. Bro. W. F. Puffer           | Lacombe    |
| Oklahoma             | R.W. Bro. John Duff              | Olds       |
| South Carolina       | M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson    | Lethbridge |
| South Dakota         | W. Bro. W. Zwiener               | Calgary    |
| Tasmania             | W. Bro. A. Allan                 | Calgary    |
| Utah                 | R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop           | Edmonton   |
| Virginia             | R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin           | Calgary    |
| Washington           | R.W. Bro. T. F. English          | Calgary    |
| Wisconsin            | R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher        | Calgary    |

## PAST MASTERS

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| R.W. Bro. John M. Empey -----          | No. 1 |
| M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Hogbin ----- | " 1   |
| V.W. Bro. D. Hope -----                | " 1   |
| W. Bro. F. R. Jelfs -----              | " 1   |
| R.W. Bro. Dr. N. J. Lindsay -----      | " 1   |
| M.W. Bro. Dr. G. Macdonald -----       | " 1   |
| W. Bro. W. E. Mercer -----             | " 1   |
| R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin -----           | " 1   |
| R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott -----          | " 2   |
| R.W. Bro. Geo. Murray -----            | " 2   |
| R.W. Bro. C. W. E. Gardiner -----      | " 3   |
| R.W. Bro. D. L. Murison -----          | " 3   |
| M.W. Bro. Robert Patterson -----       | " 3   |
| W. Bro. B. B. Hoyt -----               | " 4   |
| M.W. Bro. T. McNabb -----              | " 4   |
| R.W. Bro. A. R. Dempster -----         | " 6   |
| R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis -----     | " 6   |
| M.W. Bro. Dr. E. A. Braithwaite -----  | " 7   |
| W. Bro. C. A. Macdonald -----          | " 7   |
| W. Bro. D. Morkeberg -----             | " 8   |
| W. Bro. A. Allan -----                 | " 9   |
| R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher -----        | " 9   |
| M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald -----        | " 9   |
| W. Bro. D. O. McHugh -----             | " 9   |
| W. Bro. H. J. Robie -----              | " 9   |
| W. Bro. W. Zwiener -----               | " 9   |
| R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers -----       | " 10  |
| R.W. Bro. W. F. Puffer -----           | " 10  |
| W. Bro. W. E. Chadsey -----            | " 12  |
| W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz -----              | " 12  |
| W. Bro. W. E. Lord -----               | " 12  |
| W. Bro. W. E. Payne -----              | " 12  |
| R.W. Bro. P. Pidgeon -----             | " 12  |
| W. Bro. W. Springbett -----            | " 12  |
| R.W. Bro. A. T. Stephenson -----       | " 12  |
| W. Bro. F. H. Tallman -----            | " 12  |
| R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop -----           | " 14  |
| W. Bro. H. L. McInnis -----            | " 14  |
| R.W. Bro. E. D. H. Wilkins -----       | " 15  |
| W. Bro. F. B. Watson -----             | " 15  |
| R.W. Bro. J. Duff -----                | " 16  |
| W. Bro. R. W. Stevens -----            | " 16  |
| M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson -----    | " 18  |
| R.W. Bro. A. Reid -----                | " 18  |
| W. Bro. J. F. Casteel -----            | " 19  |
| W. Bro. A. V. Bilton -----             | " 23  |

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| R.W. Bro. T. F. English .....      | No. 23 |
| W. Bro. H. G. H. Glass .....       | " 23   |
| R.W. Bro. T. Sharpe .....          | " 23   |
| W. Bro. H. S. Waterbury .....      | " 23   |
| R.W. Bro. W. J. Seed .....         | " 24   |
| W. Bro. G. Cruickshank .....       | " 26   |
| R.W. Bro. S. H. Riggs .....        | " 27   |
| W. Bro. W. E. Hall .....           | " 28   |
| V.W. Bro. Geo. Hill .....          | " 28   |
| W. Bro. S. Houlton .....           | " 28   |
| W. Bro. W. F. W. Lent .....        | " 28   |
| R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood .....      | " 28   |
| W. Bro. J. T. Shaw .....           | " 28   |
| R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor .....       | " 28   |
| W. Bro. W. T. Coote .....          | " 29   |
| W. Bro. K. M. Byers .....          | " 29   |
| R.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill .....    | " 29   |
| W. Bro. John Collison .....        | " 29   |
| W. Bro. H. H. Humber .....         | " 29   |
| V.W. Bro. W. L. Ouimette .....     | " 30   |
| V.W. Bro. G. W. Leech .....        | " 31   |
| R.W. Bro. R. A. Hopkins .....      | " 33   |
| R.W. Bro. W. G. Lowry .....        | " 34   |
| W. Bro. C. P. Ruddy .....          | " 34   |
| W. Bro. S. G. Tobin .....          | " 34   |
| W. Bro. E. C. Roper .....          | " 37   |
| R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge .....   | " 37   |
| W. Bro. Herbert Taylor .....       | " 42   |
| W. Bro. W. J. Carroll .....        | " 45   |
| R.W. Bro. G. H. Darlow .....       | " 45   |
| R.W. Bro. F. Mitchell .....        | " 45   |
| R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis ..... | " 47   |
| W. Bro. M. A. Murphy .....         | " 47   |
| V.W. Bro. R. S. Peacock .....      | " 48   |
| W. Bro. A. E. Quayle .....         | " 49   |
| W. Bro. A. W. Richards .....       | " 51   |
| R.W. Bro. R. C. Bruce .....        | " 54   |
| R.W. Bro. R. H. Struthers .....    | " 55   |
| W. Bro. G. F. Auxier .....         | " 56   |
| W. Bro. E. J. Flavin .....         | " 59   |
| W. Bro. J. Rockley .....           | " 59   |
| W. Bro. John Wilson .....          | " 61   |
| W. Bro. N. R. Kilburn .....        | " 61   |
| W. Bro. T. H. Wilson .....         | " 63   |
| W. Bro. W. H. Hatcher .....        | " 70   |
| W. Bro. C. A. Dallas .....         | " 71   |
| R.W. Bro. J. H. Binns .....        | " 73   |
| W. Bro. Dr. C. E. Anderson .....   | " 73   |



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| W. Bro. A. M. McKee .....    | No. 75 |
| W. Bro. O. C. Smith .....    | " 78   |
| R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue .....  | " 83   |
| R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey ..... | " 83   |
| W. Bro. J. E. Johnson .....  | " 83   |
| W. Bro. E. S. Clow .....     | " 83   |

## AND THE FOLLOWING MASTERS AND WARDENS

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| W. Bro. Geo. A. Jones .....   | W.M. No. 1 |
| Bro. T. Rankine .....         | S.W. " 1   |
| W. Bro. T. S. Fetterley ..... | W.M. " 4   |
| W. Bro. T. A. Dunsmore .....  | W.M. " 5   |
| W. Bro. T. P. Newman .....    | W.M. " 6   |
| Bro. Lorne Muir .....         | J.W. " 7   |
| W. Bro. W. C. A. Watt .....   | W.M. " 8   |
| Bro. T. M. Allen .....        | S.W. " 9   |
| W. Bro. H. S. Browne .....    | W.M. " 10  |
| Bro. W. J. Simpson .....      | S.W. " 10  |
| Bro. R. L. Ramsay .....       | J.W. " 10  |
| W. Bro. P. B. McNally .....   | W.M. " 11  |
| W. Bro. Harold J. Snell ..... | W.M. " 12  |
| Bro. W. J. Stephenson .....   | S.W. " 12  |
| W. Bro. Geo. Easterby .....   | W.M. " 13  |
| W. Bro. R. V. Bellamy .....   | W.M. " 14  |
| Bro. Wm. Dixon .....          | J.W. " 15  |
| Bro. J. A. Kerr .....         | J.W. " 18  |
| W. Bro. G. W. Buck .....      | W.M. " 19  |
| W. Bro. J. R. Brown .....     | W.M. " 20  |
| W. Bro. W. B. Way .....       | W.M. " 22  |
| Bro. E. G. Ironside .....     | S.W. " 23  |
| Bro. A. J. Davis .....        | J.W. " 23  |
| W. Bro. Allan Ross .....      | W.M. " 26  |
| W. Bro. G. F. Brebber .....   | W.M. " 27  |
| W. Bro. A. W. Trickey .....   | W.M. " 28  |
| Bro. W. A. Ackland .....      | SW. " 28   |
| Bro. A. W. Strathern .....    | J.W. " 28  |
| W. Bro. J. T. Watson .....    | W.M. " 29  |
| Bro. A. R. Gibson .....       | SW. " 29   |
| Bro. Fred Turnbull .....      | J.W. " 29  |
| Bro. McKeen Hunter .....      | J.W. " 30  |
| Bro. A. R. Ennis .....        | S.W. " 34  |
| W. Bro. S. Cruickshank .....  | W.M. " 35  |
| Bro. S. T. Fawcett .....      | S.W. " 35  |
| W. Bro. J. Douglas .....      | W.M. " 37  |
| W. Bro. D. A. Simpson .....   | W.M. " 39  |
| W. Bro. Geo. Richards .....   | W.M. " 40  |
| Bro. S. Spicer .....          | S.W. " 41  |

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| W. Bro. J. D. Caldwell   | W.M. | No. 43 |
| Bro. J. W. Rattery       | S.W. | " 43   |
| Bro. A. D. Jardine       | J.W. | " 43   |
| W. Bro. H. W. Panrucker  | W.M. | " 45   |
| Bro. H. G. Finch         | J.W. | " 45   |
| W. Bro. G. W. McLeod     | W.M. | " 48   |
| W. Bro. Geo. Baldwin     | W.M. | " 49   |
| W. Bro. A. W. Dickson    | W.M. | " 50   |
| W. Bro. J. H. Hillier    | W.M. | " 51   |
| Bro. J. F. McLeod        | S.W. | " 52   |
| Bro. G. F. Butler        | S.W. | " 53   |
| W. Bro. R. G. Whitmore   | W.M. | " 54   |
| W. Bro. G. R. D. Lyon    | W.M. | " 56   |
| Bro. R. W. Townsend      | J.W. | " 56   |
| W. Bro. J. Wild          | W.M. | " 59   |
| Bro. T. R. Smalley       | S.W. | " 59   |
| W. Bro. Jas. Jaining     | W.M. | " 60   |
| W. Bro. H. Fidler        | W.M. | " 63   |
| W. Bro. C. C. Raven      | W.M. | " 68   |
| W. Bro. T. A. Cox        | W.M. | " 69   |
| Bro. Nils Lindlick       | J.W. | " 69   |
| W. Bro. H. A. Craig      | W.M. | " 72   |
| Bro. W. D. Guthrie       | J.W. | " 72   |
| Bro. J. L. Marin         | J.W. | " 73   |
| W. Bro. G. M. Carson     | W.M. | " 74   |
| W. Bro. W. J. Haynes     | W.M. | " 75   |
| Bro. W. J. Cumberland    | S.W. | " 75   |
| W. Bro. W. B. K. Dowley  | W.M. | " 77   |
| W. Bro. Hy Main          | W.M. | " 79   |
| Bro. J. R. Adams         | S.W. | " 79   |
| Bro. W. G. Mortimer      | J.W. | " 79   |
| W. Bro. J. W. McClelland | W.M. | " 80   |
| Bro. J. H. Gold          | S.W. | " 80   |
| W. Bro. J. B. Hawkins    | W.M. | " 81   |
| Bro. H. A. Stiles        | S.W. | " 81   |
| W. Bro. Rev. Dr. Kerby   | W.M. | " 83   |
| Bro. V. A. Bowes         | S.W. | " 83   |
| W. Bro. W. B. Blackly    | W.M. | " U.D  |
| Bro. J. H. Miller        | S.W. | "      |
| Bro. J. N. Beaubier      | J.W. | "      |
| W. Bro. W. Hutchinson    | W.M. | "      |
| Bro. C. M. Cook          | S.W. | "      |

## OPENING.

A constitutional number of lodges being represented, the Grand Lodge was opened IN AMPLE FORM, and with prayer.

The M.W. Grand Master granted permission for the admission of all Master Masons in good standing as visitors.

Grand Lodge united in singing the National Anthem after which the following resolution was carried unanimously amidst hearty cheers:—

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Hogbin, D.D. (1), seconded by M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9) "That the terms of the following resolution be cabled through the proper channel to His Majesty The King.

"The Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Alberta now in session humbly desires at this time to assure His Majesty the King, of its loyal fealty to His August Person and to the Empire.

"We realize that with Our Allies we are engaged in a just attempt to preserve for all time, not only for ourselves, but for those who come after us and for mankind at large, those foundations of liberty, freedom, equality and justice which have been among our most prized blessings.

"Tens of thousands of Canadian men, many of them members of our Ancient Fraternity, are offering their lives on the altar of National sacrifice, knowing that no sacrifice is too great for the preservation of National Honour.

"We beg to assure His Majesty that the Freemasons of Alberta are ready and willing to loyally bear their share of the Empire's burden.

God Save the King."

J. A. JACKSON,

Grand Master.

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MINUTES

Resolved on motion of M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), seconded by M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Hogbin, D.D. (1), "That the minutes of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, at the Ninth Annual Communication, held at the City of Banff, on May 27th and 28th, 1914, and as appear in the printed proceedings, be taken as read and confirmed."

## GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

To the Officers and Members of Grand Lodge,  
Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons:

In rising to address the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of Alberta, at its tenth annual communication, I do so, feeling that it is not within my power to deal adequately with the momentous events of the past year. I can only offer to you a short review of the main features of our Masonic work as it appears to me. A cordial welcome is extended to all who have gathered here for the purposes usual to our annual convocation. That our deliberations will be conducted in harmony and the interests of Masonry promoted is doubtless the sincere wish of all present. Of one thing we can be certain and that is a hearty welcome is extended to us by the Masonic bodies and the citizens generally of the fair city of Red Deer, and when we return to our respective homes we will feel the better for having participated in the affairs of Grand Lodge and partaken of the well-known hospitality of the people of this City.

## INSTALLATION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS

It was a great pleasure for me to have the honor of installing R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher as Grand Junior Warden, at the constitution of Zetland Lodge on the evening of July 6th, 1914. I also had the pleasure of installing R.W. Bro. J. T. Graham as D.D.G.M. of District No. 11 at Lethbridge on the evening of June 15th, 1914 and R.W. Bro. Riggs as D.D.G.M. at Hanna on October 28th, 1914, and V.W. Bro. Riach as Grand Organist on February 3th, 1915.

## CONSTITUTIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

The Grand Lodge having at its last annual communication granted charters, I was privileged to constitute and install officers of the following Lodges:

Zetland Lodge, No. 83, Calgary, July 6th, 1914.  
Fidelity Lodge, No. 76, Bashaw, July 8th, 1914.  
Excelsior Lodge, No. 80, Strome, July 9th, 1914.  
Commercial Lodge, No. 81, Edmonton, July 11th, 1914.  
Strathcona Lodge, No. 77, Edmonton, September 11th, 1914.  
Hanna Lodge, No. 78, Hanna, October 26th, 1914.  
Acadia Lodge, No. 82, Youngstown, October 30th, 1914.

I was accompanied by many of the Grand Lodge Officers on these occasions. At the constitution of Zetland Lodge, the ceremony was made particularly impressive by the presence of M.W. Bro. Blair, P.G.M.; R.W. Bro. Taylor, D.G.M.; R.W. Bro. Connacher, Grand Junior Warden; R.W. Bro. Lindsay, Grand Treasurer; M.W. Bro. Geo. Macdonald, P.G.M., Grand Secretary; R.W. Bro. Bruce, Grand Tyler; V.W. Bro. Geo. Whelen and V.W. Bro. Peacock, Grand Stewards, as well as R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, the D.D.G.M. of District No. 1.

At the Constitution of Commercial Lodge No. 81 and Strathcona Lodge, No. 77, I was accompanied by R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop, Grand Senior Warden. In every case the D.D.G.M. ably assisted me in the ceremonies. I was unable owing to unavoidable circumstances to constitute Morning Star Lodge No. 79, Loughheed, but R.W. Bro. John Wilson ably did this work in my behalf. My personal thanks are due to these brethren and all others who assisted me.

#### CONSECRATIONS

On October 27th, 1914, with the assistance of R.W. Bro. Puffer, D.D.G.M. and other distinguished brethren, I consecrated the Masonic Lodge Room at Red Deer, and on February 11th, 1915, the Masonic Lodge Room at Didsbury. The Bassano brethren also permitted me to consecrate their Lodge Room on the evening of April 23rd, 1915. On this latter occasion, I was accompanied by the Deputy Grand Master, the D.D.G.M. of District No. 7, R.W. Bro. Struthers, and R.W. Bros. Rankin, Empey and Argue. All these Lodges are now comfortably quartered and no doubt continued success will be theirs.

#### INSTALLATION OF LODGE OFFICERS

Besides assisting in the Installation of the Lodge Officers of the various new Lodges, I was pleased to be able to be present when W. Bro. Wright of Taber installed the Officers of Spitzie Lodge No. 6 and Chinook Lodge No. 47 at Pincher Creek, on June 24th, 1914. A notable honor was conferred on me when I installed at a joint meeting the Officers of North Star No. 4, Lethbridge No. 39, and Charity No. 67, of Lethbridge, and Diamond City Lodge No. 65, of Diamond City, on the evening of December 28th, 1914.

#### LODGES OF INSTRUCTION

Owing to the financial depression and the extraordinary condition of affairs generally, the question of holding Lodges of Instruction was left to the Lodges in each district. Several were held and

much good resulted. I wish particularly to mention the excellent work of R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart at some of these Lodges of Instruction.

#### INCORPORATIONS

I am glad to note that two of the Lodges have become incorporated under the act in that behalf, namely, Langdon Lodge No. 52 and Commercial Lodge No. 81. Various Grand Masters have pointed out the wisdom of this course. Surely it is not the small cost that is keeping the other Lodges back.

#### DISPENSATIONS FOR NEW LODGES

A perusal of the Grand Secretary's report will show the list of new Lodges for which dispensations have been granted. While it has not been thought wise to grant charters indiscriminately, I feel that much good will result from the formation of Lodges at Grouard and Peace River Crossing in the Northern part of the Province.

#### GENERAL DISPENSATIONS

Many dispensations have been granted during the year pertaining to routine matters. I have, however, exercised my prerogative to an unusual degree in granting dispensations to confer degrees within the time on soldiers who were about to leave for the front.

#### RULINGS

No ruling of any great importance has been made by me, except in the case of the ballot the sacredness of which I have endeavored to safeguard. I might also mention that the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan has requested that Lodges near the boundary between the two Provinces be allowed to encroach on the territory of the Lodges in the adjoining Province when applicants from such last mentioned Province are not within convenient distance of the lodge having jurisdiction. I refused to consent to this arrangement but referred the matter of making exceptions in special cases to the Board of General Purposes. Their report will no doubt be laid before Grand Lodge in proper time.

## BYLAWS

The Grand Secretary's report shows the number of bylaws and amendments to by-laws approved of. This part of my work, while on occasions causing me much anxiety, has been very pleasant.

## LAYING CORNER STONE

On July 30th, 1914, M.W. Bro. Kealy, P.G.M., in my absence and at my request, with the assistance of a number of brethren, well and truly laid the corner stone of St. Ambrose Church, Redcliff.

## FRATERNAL DEAD

To the relatives of all distinguished brethren who have within the past year rolled back the veil which separates us from the other World, as well in foreign jurisdictions as in our own, our deepest sympathy is extended. Suitable memorial pages will be provided for in the Annual Proceedings.

## VISITS

If time and circumstances had permitted I would have enjoyed visiting all lodges in this Jurisdiction. As it was, I was able to make but thirty official visits. Joint meetings and the visits of neighboring lodges enabled me to meet with more than fifty lodges. Everywhere was I met with the greatest consideration and kindness and my warmest thanks are due to my Masonic brethren in this Province for the many courtesies extended to me. I cannot pass this part of my address without referring to the pleasure I had in conferring the regalia of Past Grand Master on M.W. Bro. Robert Patterson on the occasion of my visit to Alberta Lodge No. 3 at Macleod, on the evening of July 1st, 1914. The honor was as great as the pleasure.

## PEACE CELEBRATION

As the guest of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in Ontario, and at the special invitation of William David McPherson, Grand Master, I participated in an humble way, in a Peace Celebration at Niagara Falls, Ontario, on July 16th, 1914. It was very meet and right that the Masonic bodies of the British Empire and the United States should gather together for the purpose of celebrating one hundred years of continued peace between what we consider the two greatest nations on Earth—the two nations destined to work out the ultimate civilization of the whole World and upon whom the final and lasting peace will so greatly depend. That this

meeting was opportune and timely; that it had no little to do with making more firm the bonds of brotherhood and friendship already existing between these two great Anglo-Saxon races, and that at no other period in our history was the need of friendship and sympathy so great, is my firm belief. May such peace extend and harmony prevail from generation to generation, nay even until time shall be no more.

I was sorry that I was unable to accept the invitation of M.W. Bro. Henry T. Burnap, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, to visit them on the occasion of the celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

#### THE WAR

I hesitate to make mention of the great war that is now raging on the Continent of Europe, knowing full well my inability to say anything worth while. When we look back the space of one short year and think of the happenings during that time, we realize to some extent that there has been a tremendous upheaval. What it means we do not know. The ways of the Most High are inscrutable, but no doubt He will in His own appointed time reveal to us His reasons for all things. I feel certain, however, that the World, full of tears, is on its knees to the Supreme Architect of the Universe and that the vaulting ambitions of man are subdued by the events of the last few months. We, all of us, have the utmost faith in the righteousness of the cause for which our Empire is fighting and in the ultimate victory that will, by the Grace of God, be ours. It is too early to attempt to say what will be the effects of the war, yet I think I can truthfully say that our Empire has been cemented together as never before. Individualism, pride, strife, petty ambitions and the money-god will not regain the places formerly held by them in the minds of people. Unity, humility, charity, benevolence and brotherhood will take their places.

We, as Masons, have much to be thankful for in that the British Empire has given us every right and privilege we can expect to enjoy. I feel that I voice the sentiment of all when I say we should in return make some offer in addition to everything we owe as British subjects, to show our appreciation of those rights and privileges. This was in my mind when, at the invitation of Canada Lodge No. 3527, London, England, I asked subscriptions from all Masons in this Province for the maintenance of a Canadian Field Hospital Contingent. The sum asked for was one dollar from each member, and while the amount has not reached the total I would like to see, it is very satisfactory to note that fifteen hundred dollars has already been raised and most of this money



is now being employed in the relief of those who are fighting our battles on the battlefields of Europe. I trust the brethren will remember that the war is not yet over and that subscriptions to this fund are needed as much today as they were months ago. I wish to express my thanks to all those who have already made their donations. My remarks on this subject would not be complete without mentioning the fact that among the many Masons who have enlisted for active service at the front, is Dr. George Macdonald, P.G.M., who has for years faithfully and zealously performed the duties of Grand Secretary of Grand Lodge. We can but show him the honor that is his due and wish him every success in his undertaking; that he may lead his men to victory and return to us none the worse for his experiences, is, I am sure, the fervent wish of us all.

#### HILLCREST DISASTER

It is needless for me to dwell upon the awfulness of the disaster in the mines at Hillcrest last June, when a number of our brethren met with death in the performance of their duties. We, as Masons, owe a duty to those brethren in seeing that their widows and children shall not want. I am pleased to state that over one thousand dollars has been raised directly by Grand Lodge and about the same amount was sent directly to Sentinel Lodge at Hillcrest for relief purposes. This money is being used wisely and the brethren may feel assured that their contributions are for a most worthy purpose. I wish to thank all the lodges that have contributed to this cause.

#### GENERAL

While the number of Masons in this jurisdiction has not increased as rapidly as in former years, I feel greater progress has been made than ever before in the things that Masonry really stands for. The desire for knowledge, the seeking after the true brotherly love and relief, and the social, intellectual and moral sides of our institution have come before us more prominently than in past years.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

As a result of my experiences in the Grand East, I would recommend that the ceremonials of Grand Lodge be thoroughly revised; that the visits of the Grand Master be to joint meetings of lodges rather than to individual lodges; that forms of resolutions be sent to the various lodges with instructions as to procedure, relating to incorporation of lodges. It is my opinion that many of the lodges would take advantage of the Act of Incorporation if thus brought to their notice. I would also recommend the

earnest attention of the lodges to the advisability of conserving their resources to the utmost. The near future will make the question of Masonic relief even more important than it is now. Would it not be advisable to appoint a chartered accountant as auditor of Grand Lodge?

Finally, my brethren, I beg to thank you for the trust reposed in me as Grand Master and for the many courtesies shown. May our deliberations be conducted in that harmony which is so characteristic of the Masonic brotherhood.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

J. A. JACKSON,  
Grand Master.

Resolved on motion of M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Hogbin (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28):—That the address of the M.W. Grand Master be received and referred to the Committee on Grand Master's address.

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### COMMUNICATIONS

Coronation Lodge, No. 72.

Edmonton Lodge, No. 7.

Beaver Lodge, No. 56, relating to Masonic trials of brethren.

From Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan requesting waiver of jurisdiction over material near the boundary line between Alberta and Saskatchewan, and in the vicinity of Alsack, Sask.

Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence on motion of M.W. Bro. G. H. Hogbin (1), and R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28).

An appeal from a member of Hanna Lodge from their action against him.

Referred to Committee on Grievances and Appeals on motion of M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. M. Empey (1).

Correspondence from York Grand Lodge of Mexico from 1914 seeking recognition.

From Grand Lodge National, France, requesting recognition.

Referred to Committee on Foreign Relations on motion of R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), and seconded by V.W. Bro. D. Hope (1).

Application from Doric Lodge, No. 31, for loan of funds.

Resolved on motion of M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9): That matter of a loan of \$500 asked for by Doric Lodge at Taber be referred to the Finance Committee with instructions to place such loan as the security will permit up to \$500.00.

Letters from Mrs. Dawson and Mrs. Finlay and family extending appreciation and thanks for their attentions during their time of trouble.

Greetings from our Grand Representative, R.W. Bro. Love, near the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

Telegram of regret from R.W. Bro. T. M. Turnbull at his unavoidable absence.

Ordered filed on motion of M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), and R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28).

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 66, ask remission of fine for delayed returns.

Resolved on motion of R.W. Bro. T. F. English (23), seconded by R.W. Bro. R. H. Struthers (73): That if St. Andrew's Lodge can give a reasonable excuse for the delay and pay the fine constitutionally levied that Grand Lodge will credit them with an equal amount.

Communications relating to Hillcrest disaster, read.

Letter read, also telegram asking co-operation with Canada Lodge, London, Eng., in subscriptions to a Canadian Voluntary Field Hospital Contingent.

Application for relief from Wetaskiwin, No. 15, to aid an invalid Brother.

Referred to committee on Benevolence on motion of M.W. Bros J. T. Macdonald (9), and S. J. Blair (9).

Resignation of Grand Treasurer read and accepted with regret.

## REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

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### FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

Calgary, Alberta, May 17, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A. F. & A. M.

M.W. Sir and Brother:—

I, have the honor to submit for the consideration of Grand Lodge the following report on the condition of Masonry in the First Masonic District for the year 1914-1915.

Permit me in the first place, to express to my brethren of this District my appreciation of the high honor they conferred on me a year ago and also to thank the brethren throughout the District for the kindness and courtesy extended to me on every occasion during my term of office and to express my gratitude to various Grand Lodge Officers resident in the District for the encouragement of their presence and the aid of their counsel.

Any report on the Condition of Masonry in this District would be incomplete without reference to the effect on our order of the colossal and worldwide struggle now raging so fiercely on the battlefields of Europe. Many of our brethren have volunteered for active service at the front, and assuredly several of them have done and all others are anxious to do their part for their King and Country in the cause of right and freedom. An early suggestion of M.W. Bro. Hogbin has been adopted in all Lodges and Union Jacks with the names of the brethren so serving are displayed on the walls of their Mother Lodges. The patriotism of these brethren and the spiritual effect of the larger issues involved and the sacrifices made by the Allies have combined to quicken in us the true Masonic spirit and give us a larger and finer appreciation of the principles of Free Masonry.

The condition of Masonry in this District is active and progressive, enthusiasm and a good fraternal spirit being everywhere present. True harmony exists in all the Lodges and each appears

to be doing its best. The Secretaries are capable and efficient brethren and I found the books in every case well kept. The financial and prudential affairs of the lodges are satisfactory, all of them showing a substantial surplus of assets over liabilities and possessing good equipment which is well cared for and fully insured. Arrears of dues are not serious except in two lodges, while in two other lodges the arrears are negligible.

I found the lodges in every case officered by earnest and efficient officers, proper and laudable care exercised in the acceptance of candidates, the work done in excellent form and a high standard of proficiency uniformly required of and achieved by the candidates.

A noteworthy feature of my term of office was the numerous exchange of fraternal visits among the several lodges in Calgary, at many of which I was privileged to attend. I also found the work of the degrees in both rites so satisfactory as to uniformity in practice and proficiency in rendition that, having regard to these circumstances as well as general financial and business conditions, I decided upon reflection to abandon the plan early formed because of my predecessor's recommendation of holding Lodges of Instruction in both rites.

A gratifying evidence of the truly fraternal spirit of the brethren of this District was the expenditure of \$2,733.45 for relief in 1914. The Calgary Masonic Board of Relief has done a splendid work with all too limited funds and the brethren of that city cannot appreciate too highly the earnest labors of the Board in their field of Masonic charity. The three oldest lodges in the District have in addition nobly and generously responded to the needs of their own members.

With sincere regret I have to report that during the year 1914 Death, the Grim Reaper, had taken away fourteen of our beloved brethren, having bereft seven out of the nine lodges in the District.

Following are brief reports of my visits to the several lodges in the District:

#### BOW RIVER LODGE, No. 1

On November 9th I visited this Lodge officially, the only work being general business and receiving Ashlar Lodge No. 28 (my own Lodge) on a fraternal visit. I again visited this Lodge officially on March 22nd, when W. Bro. G. A. Jones, assisted by R.W. Bro. J. M. Empey and W. Bro. F. R. Jelfs, conferred the M.M. Degree

on three candidates in the efficient manner characteristic of this Lodge. On this evening King George Lodge No. 59 made them a fraternal visit. On both occasions the attendance was gratifying and a delightful entertainment was enjoyed. The affairs of the Lodge are in excellent condition due largely to the excellent work of the Secretary, Bro. G. A. T. Mason, the inspection of whose books gave pleasure. On other visits I have uniformly found a whole-hearted spirited in the work and fraternal hospitality of the Lodge. On December 28th I had the pleasure of attending one of the largest Masonic meetings of the year on the occasion of the joint installation of the officers of Perfection Lodge No. 9, and this Lodge by R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, assisted by R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin.

#### CASCADE LODGE, No. 5

I visited this Lodge officially on November 26th at the annual election of officers. The attendance of members was large, the election harmonious, the books appeared well kept and showed its affairs in sound condition. On March 25th I again visited this Lodge officially and saw the F. C. Degree conferred with gratifying success by W. Bro. T. A. Dunsmore, assisted by very competent officers. The average attendance of members is thirty per cent. and congratulations are due the Lodge as more than half the membership is non-resident. This Lodge is looking forward to owning its own Masonic Temple, having already procured and paid for a very suitable site for this purpose. On both occasions I received a very cordial welcome, and very pleasing social evenings were spent after the Lodge was closed.

#### PERFECTION LODGE, No. 9

At my first official visit to this Lodge on October 9th, the work seen was general business and the examination of a Master Mason as to his proficiency in this Degree, W. Bro. D. O. McHugh presiding. On my next official visit on March 9th I saw W. Bro. T. G. Whitehair confer the E. A. Degree. On both occasions the Lodge maintained its usual high standard of efficiency in its work and excellence in its social entertainment. As reported above I attended on December 28th the joint installation of the officers of Bow River Lodge No. 1, and this Lodge by R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, assisted by R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin. On April 20th, the M.W. the Grand Master, Judge J. A. Jackson, made an official visit to this Lodge accompanied by R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Deputy Grand Master, and myself, and a large number of the officers and members of Bow River Lodge No. 1 were present on a fraternal

visit in honor of the Grand Master. M.W. Bro. Jackson delivered an able and instructive address on the origin and meaning of many of the familiar expressions used in the course of our Masonic work. After the Lodge closed, the brethren enjoyed a generous repast, followed by a splendid musical and social program.

#### CALGARY LODGE, No. 23

I visited this Lodge officially on October 2nd, and witnessed the F. C. Degree conferred in an excellent manner under the direction of R.W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe, W. Bro. Bilton being unavoidably absent. On February 19th I again visited this Lodge officially, and saw the F. C. Degree conferred by W. Bro. George Law in an equally satisfactory manner. The affairs of this Lodge are in excellent condition, evidences of which are the small amount of dues in arrears and the excellent appearance of the books, for which much credit is due former Secretary Bro. A. J. Davis. On December 18th the M.W. the Grand Master, Judge J. A. Jackson made an official visit to this Lodge accompanied by several Grand Lodge Officers. M.W. Bro. Jackson delivered an able and inspiring address to the large number of brethren present on the subject of "Benevolence." On this occasion, as well as on many other visits to this Lodge, the utmost goodfellowship prevailed, and the brethren were entertained by excellent programs of music and short speeches.

#### ASHLAR LODGE, No. 28

I visited this Lodge officially at its regular meeting on November 12th, and heard M.W. Bro. Archdeacon Hogbin deliver an interesting and instructive address on the subject "The Relation of Free Masonry to Religion." On February 11th I again visited this Lodge officially and witnessed the exemplification by W. Bro. S. Houlton of an examination of a visiting Brother. I attended other meetings as a member and saw Degrees ably conferred by W. Bros. Houlton and Trickey. On December 30th I had the pleasure of assisting R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, Deputy Grand Master, in the installation of the officers of this Lodge, on which occasion the M.W. the Grand Master Judge J. A. Jackson was an honored guest. The attendance was large and one of the most successful social evenings in its history was held after the Lodge was closed, at which an excellent musical program was given and able addresses by the M.W. the Grand Master and other distinguished brethren were delivered.

**KING SOLOMON, No. 41**

On April 23rd I visited this Lodge officially and witnessed the transaction of general business and the E. A. Degree conferred by W. Bro. Atkinson. The work was well done, and the books and records are satisfactory. This Lodge has been laboring under some difficulty because 18 members out of a total of 30 reside at such a distance that they are practically unable to attend, thereby requiring a high degree of faithfulness from the resident members, and to their enthusiastic and loyal work is due the successful maintenance of this Lodge as an active Masonic influence.

**MOUNT LEBANON, No. 54**

My first official visit to Mount Lebanon Lodge took place on October 13th, W. Bro. David Boyd presiding. The work consisted of general business and the examination of five candidates as to their proficiency in the work of the F. C. Degree. My second official visit was on February 23rd, when W. Bro. Whitmore conferred the E. A. Degree. The work on both occasions was pleasing in every respect. This Lodge has the best record in the District regarding arrears of dues (being \$6.00 at the end of 1914) held many meetings with good attendance, and has a leading position among the older Lodges in the matter of increase in membership. The Brethren of this Lodge deserve every praise for the success they are achieving, especially as they are under very heavy expense in the matter of rent.

**KING GEORGE LODGE, No. 59**

I visited this Lodge officially on October 9th, when I saw the F. C. Degree conferred by W. Bro. W. Flett. My second official visit was on February 26th, when the F. C. Degree was conferred by W. Bro. John Wild. On both occasions the work was performed in a satisfactory manner. During 1914 this Lodge held thirty-four meetings, the largest number held by any Lodge in the District, at the same time maintaining the highest average attendance among the Lodges in Calgary, and this record is equalled by the true fraternal spirit invariably displayed by the brethren.

**ZETLAND LODGE, No. 83**

On July 6th, 1914, I had the pleasure of attending this Lodge when the M.W. the Grand Master, Judge J. A. Jackson, assisted by other Grand Lodge officers, performed the ceremony of Constitution of this Lodge, dedicated and consecrated their Lodge Room, installed R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher as Grand Junior



Warden, and installed the officers of the Lodge for the ensuing term. On November 16th, I visited this Lodge officially and witnessed the E. A. Degree conferred in excellent form by R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue. On this evening Bow River Lodge No. 1 and Ashlar Lodge No. 28 paid a fraternal visit to this Lodge.

On March 1st I again visited this Lodge officially when W. Bro. Rev. Dr. Kerby and his officers conferred the E. A. Degree with full musical ritual. On January 4th I attended the installation of the officers of this Lodge by R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue, and also witnessed the examination of a class of 15 Master Masons on their proficiency in that Degree, and the presentation to them by R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor of their M. M. aprons. On all these occasions the attendance was large, great interest was shown, and the pleasure of the evening enhanced by music and addresses both during the Lodge and after. This Lodge is highly fortunate in its Secretary, W. Bro. E. S. Clow, whose books and records are the embodiment of neatness and accuracy.

On March 29th I attended the second annual Ladies' Night given by this Lodge, which repeated the brilliant success achieved one year ago, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by the large number present, an interesting incident being the presentation by the Lodge to R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue of a gold watch and chain in recognition of his distinguished services to the Lodge.

#### CRESCENT LODGE, U D.

On December 8th by request of the M.W. the Grand Master I had the honor of instituting Crescent Lodge and investing their officers, at which ceremony M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair, R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor and other distinguished brethren were present. This Lodge was instituted under very favorable conditions, having 35 petitioners for dispensation including three Past Masters. I visited the Lodge on January 12th, February 9th, and March 23rd, when the E. A., F. C. and M. M. Degrees were successively conferred in a satisfactory manner by W. Bro. Rev. Robert Pearson and the officers of the Lodge.

This Lodge evidently supplies a need in that part of the City of Calgary in which its members reside, namely Crescent Heights. This is shown by the fact that since its institution, it has received seven members by affiliation and fourteen by initiation. From enquiries made, I feel satisfied that not only the charter and affiliate members of this Lodge, but many of those who became members by initiation would not now be members of a Masonic Lodge in this jurisdiction, had this Lodge not been organized and

instituted. I have every confidence that this Lodge will have a career in every sense beneficial to its own members and to the welfare of Free Masonry in this community. I have pleasure in recommending that this Lodge be granted a Charter at the coming meeting of the Grand Lodge.

In conclusion I desire to thank the brethren of the district for the cordial welcome invariably extended to me and for the generous hospitality which I received at their hands, and to express the hope that Masonry in the First Masonic District may continue to prosper and wield an increasing influence for good.

Fraternally submitted,

FREDERICK S SELWOOD,

D.D.G.M. First Masonic District.

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## SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

Medicine Hat, May 12th, 1915.

To the M W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A. F. & A. M.

M.W. Sir and Brother:—

I beg to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in the Second Masonic District.

The District, as at present, comprises seven Lodges, namely, Medicine Hat, No. 2, Medicine Hat; Doric Lodge, No. 31, Taber; Mizpah Lodge, No. 35, Medicine Hat; Grassy Lake, No. 57, Grassy Lake; Bow Island, No. 64, Bow Island; Quarry, No. 70, Redcliff; and Suffield Lodge, U. D., Suffield.

My first official visit was to assist the M.W.P.G.M. O. W. Kealy, accompanied by R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott, G. R., and officers of Quarry Lodge, No. 70, Redcliff, and a number of visiting brethren from Medicine Hat Lodge, No. 2, and Mizpah Lodge, No. 35, Medicine Hat, in performing the ceremony of laying the corner stone of St. Ambrose Church of the Church of England at Redcliff, which ceremony was ably performed and a large attendance was present.

**QUARRY LODGE, No. 70**

My first official visit to this Lodge was made on the sixth day of October, 1914, at an emergent meeting and was accompanied by R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott, G.R. W. Bro. Hatcher presided and conferred the F. C. Degree in a very able and creditable manner. The meeting was well attended.

I again visited this Lodge on the fourth day of May, 1915, again accompanied by R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott, G. R.

W. Bro. Rutherford, Master of this Lodge, exemplified the F.C. Degree in a very pleasing manner. The books of this Lodge were in a very poor condition on my first visitation, but on my second visit I found that a great change had been made in the minute book and register, and this Lodge is to be congratulated on having such an able Secretary as Bro. D. R. Reem.

**SUFFIELD LODGE, U.D.**

I paid my first official visit to this Lodge at a regular meeting held on October 14th, 1914, and had the pleasure of seeing the Third Degree exemplified in a very able manner by W. Bro. Murray. The attendance was fair. I again visited this Lodge on January 13th, 1915, and as requested by the M.W. Grand Master, I invested W. Bro. Hutchinson as Master of Suffield Lodge; the reason for investment being on account of W. Bro. Murray's removal to Montreal, and there being no P.M. in this Lodge. It was necessary at the same time to invest Bro. Ferguson as J.W. After the investments the E.A. Degree was exemplified in a very pleasing manner by W. Bro. Hutchinson. My next visit to this Lodge was on March 29th, 1915, accompanied by W. Bros. S. Cruickshank, E. A. Bell, W. H. McEwan and Bro. S. T. Fawcett, of Mizpah Lodge, No. 35, Medicine Hat. W. Bro. Cruickshank, assisted by the officers of Suffield Lodge, exemplified the Third Degree in a most impressive manner. I take much pleasure in recommending that this Lodge, now working under dispensation, be granted their charter.

**BOW ISLAND, No. 64**

My first visit to this Lodge was made on October 27th, 1914, at a regular meeting. W. Bro. Geo. Bruce exemplified E. A. Degree in a very creditable manner and a very good attendance was present.

My next visit to this Lodge was on December 26th, 1914, for the purpose of holding a joint installation meeting of Bow Island Lodge, No. 64, Grassy Lake Lodge, No. 57, and Doric Lodge No. 31, Taber, and with the able and kind assistance of R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart, P.D.D.G.M. of the District, and V.W. Bro. Leach, G.J.D., and W. Bro. Dr. Wright, I installed the officers into their respective stations for the current term. The books of this Lodge are in very good condition and the historical register up to date.

#### GRASSY LAKE, No. 57

My first official visit to this Lodge was on November 12th, 1914. There were no Degrees conferred. This Lodge is working under a great disadvantage, owing to a great many of the brethren having to move to other parts on account of crop failure, but we trust this Lodge will see better times when the conditions of the country improve.

There was a fair attendance present and a very pleasant social evening was spent. The books of this Lodge are very well kept by the very able Secretary, W. Bro. Raisbeck.

#### DORIC LODGE, No. 31

My first official visit to this Lodge was on November 13th, 1914, when the Third Degree was exemplified in a most impressive manner by W. Bro. Ewing, assisted by W. Bro. Wright. The meeting was well attended and the books of this Lodge are in excellent condition.

I next visited this Lodge on February 2nd, 1915, when we were honored with the presence of the M.W.G.M. Brother J. A. Jackson. As there were no degrees to confer we had the pleasure of listening to a very able address by the M.W.G.M. This address was an appeal to the brethren to aid financially the widows and orphans of the Hillcrest mining disaster and hospital ship fund, and I am sure the brethren will respond in the manner we as Masons should.

#### MEDICINE HAT LODGE, No. 2

My first official visit to this Lodge was on December 1st, 1914, when the Third Degree was exemplified by R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott and officers in their usual able manner and a pleasant social evening was spent, the meeting being largely attended. Special dispensation having been granted to hold a joint installation meeting of Medicine Hat Lodge, No. 2, Mizpah Lodge No. 35, and Quarry Lodge No. 70, in the Oddfellows' Hall, Medicine

Hat, on December 28th, 1914, I again paid a visit and with the able assistance of R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart, P.D.D.G.M., R.W. Bro. Dr. C. E. Smyth, P.D.D.G.M., and R.W. Bro. Dr. Macdonald, P.D.D.G.M. of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, R.W. Bros. M. M. Downey and Jesse Elliott, G.R., the officers of the above Lodges were duly installed. Greetings were then phoned to the M.W.G.M. and the installing Lodges at Lethbridge.

#### MIZPAH LODGE, No. 35

I officially visited this Lodge for the first time on December 18th, 1914. The Third Degree was exemplified in a very pleasing manner by W. Bro. E. A. Bell. There was a very good attendance and the books are in good condition. I again visited this Lodge at a joint meeting with Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2, on April 19th, 1915. Redcliff Lodge No. 70 and Suffield Lodge U. D., were also well represented, the occasion being the official visit of the M.W. G.M. to Medicine Hat. As there were no Degrees conferred, the M.W.G.M. delivered an able address on Patriotism and the duties of Masonry. There was a very large attendance present to do honor to the M.W.G.M. A social evening was spent with songs and speeches.

On April 2nd, 1915, a Lodge of Instruction was held at Taber. We were honored with the presence and advice of the M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, G.M., R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, D.G.M., and R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart, P.D.D.G.M. Lodge was opened at 2 p.m. The G.M. and his officers were received into the Lodge at 3 p.m.

R.W. Bro. Stewart then explained the symbolism and ceremony of the First Degree in both Canadian and York rite works in a very pleasing manner. W. Bro. S. Cruickshanks, Mizpah No. 35, then exemplified the Third Degree in the Canadian work in his usual able manner. M.W. Bro. Jackson, G.M., then addressed the Lodge on the qualifications of a candidate. The question box was also kept very busy.

I wish to tender my thanks to R.W. Bro. Stewart, Bros. Wright and Ewing and V.W. Bro. Leach for their able assistance in making this Lodge of Instruction a success.

In conclusion I wish to thank the brethren of this Masonic District for the honor of electing me their D.D.G.M., and also for the kind and fraternal manner in which I have been received by the different Lodges.

All of which I respectfully submit

Yours fraternally,

GEO. MURRAY,

D.D.G.M. Second Masonic District.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT.

[Red Deer]

Edmonton, Alta., May 18th, 1915

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brother:—

I beg to submit herewith my report on the condition of  
Masonry in the Third Masonic District:

## EDMONTON LODGE, No. 7

I visited this Lodge, of which I am a Member, at a Regular Communication on the 21st of January. There were no Degrees conferred at the meeting, but I had previously seen the work exemplified, the ceremonies being always impressively performed. The Lodge has a desirable property investment, and is in good financial position. There is, however, a noticeable increase in arrearages, a part of which must be carried until conditions become normal. The books are exceptionally well kept, reflecting credit on the Secretary. The Historical Register has not been written up for some time, but the records will shortly be brought up to date.

I also attended a meeting of this Lodge on the 28th of December, when the Officers were installed, the ceremonies being performed acceptably by M.W. Bro. H. C. Taylor and R.W. Bro E. T. Bishop, S. G. Warden.

## ACACIA LODGE, No. 11

This Lodge is making satisfactory progress, and on the occasion of my official visit on 13th May. I was impressed with the enthusiasm and loyalty of the Members. The Officers are efficient, and the ceremonies in connection with the Second Degree were performed in an impressive manner. The Books and Historical Register were in good order, a capable Secretary being in charge.

## JASPER LODGE, No. 14

I visited this Lodge at a Regular Communication on the 12th of April. The Third Degree was exemplified in an impressive manner, the Officers being highly efficient. This Lodge, though not strong financially, has set a high standard for relief work. The excellent condition of the Books and Historical Register reflects great credit on the Secretary.

## STAR OF THE WEST LODGE, No. 34

On the 6th of April I visited this Lodge and witnessed the ceremony of the First Degree, the work being exemplified in a creditable manner. The membership is gradually increasing, and the true Masonic spirit prevails. The Lodge owns a suitable building, which is well equipped. The books and records, other than the Historical Register, are in good order.

I also visited this Lodge in company with the R.W. the Senior G Warden on June 24th for the purpose of installing the officers.

## UNITY LODGE, No. 51

This Lodge is in good financial position. The membership is steadily increasing and the records of the attendance reflect a growing interest in Masonry. On the occasion of my official visit on the 16th February, the Third Degree was exemplified, the Officers exhibiting skill and proficiency in the work. The Books and Historical Records are in good order. There are evidences of loyalty and enthusiasm among the members who have recognized their obligations in the matter of relief work.

## EMPIRE LODGE, No. 63

I visited this Lodge at a Regular Communication on the 1st February. The Lodge is fortunate in having in its membership a number of Past Masters, who take a keen interest in the affairs of the Lodge. The Officers showed proficiency in their exemplification of the Second Degree. The Books are in excellent order, and the Secretary has shown unusual care and ability in the preparation of the Historical Records. The Lodge is making good progress, and the members have shown their appreciation of the Masonic privileges by regular attendance.

## EDSON LODGE, No. 68

The spirit of Masonry prevails in this Lodge to an unusual extent, and the members are keenly interested in the welfare of the Institution. I visited this Lodge on 20th May and was well impressed with the ability of the Officers who exemplified the First Degree in a highly creditable manner. The membership is increasing satisfactorily and harmony and good fellowship are much in evidence. Dispensation was recently granted the Lodge

to remove to premises which are more suitably equipped. The Officers are being heartily supported by the Members, and the Lodge has excellent prospects.

#### TAWATINAW LODGE, No. 71

This Lodge is making fair progress. The membership is being carefully extended, and the Brethren are keenly interested in matters pertaining to the good of the Order. I visited the Lodge on the 10th of May. The Second Degree was exemplified in an impressive manner. W. Bro. Dallas, I.P.M. is in charge of the Lodge in the absence of the W. Master, and in the Degree work he was ably assisted by the Officers who showed marked ability. The Books and Historical Register are in good order, the Secretary being very efficient. The Members are enthusiastic, and the spirit of Masonry prevails.

#### STRATHCONA LODGE, No. 77

On the 11th September the ceremonies of Consecrating and Constituting this Lodge were performed by the M.W. the Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Bishop and myself assisting in the Installation of Officers. On this occasion I was installed as D.D.G.M. by the M.W. the Grand Master. The instructive address given by the M.W. the Grand Master at the Banquet, which was tendered by the Lodge, was much appreciated by the brethren. R.W. Bishop and I installed the Officers on the 30th December, and I again visited the Lodge on 23rd April when the First Degree was exemplified in a creditable manner. The membership of the Lodge is increasing very rapidly, and the Officers, who are efficient, have assumed exceptional duties in conferring Degrees. The Books and Historical Records are exceptionally well kept.

#### COMMERCIAL LODGE, No. 81

On the 11th of July this Lodge was consecrated and constituted, and Officers were installed by the M.W. the Grand Master, R.W. Bro. Bishop assisting in the ceremonies. I was unavoidably absent on this occasion. R.W. Bro. Bishop and I installed the Officers on the 26th of December, and I again visited the Lodge on the 6th of March when the Third Degree was exemplified, the Officers being very efficient. On the 8th of May, at the request of Commercial Lodge, St. John's Lodge, Vegreville, exemplified the Third Degree in the York Rite, the ceremonies being impressively



performed. A social hour was spent, when expressions of good fellowship were in evidence, and the Members of Commercial Lodge were complimented on the Fraternal Spirit which prompted them to extend Masonic courtesies to the Members of St. John's Lodge.

The M.W. the Grand Master favored the Lodges in Edmonton with an official visit on the 13th February, being entertained on this occasion by Commercial Lodge No. 81. Representatives of other Lodges in the District were present and the meeting was enjoyable and profitable. The M.W. the Grand Master made an impressive appeal for a wider recognition of the duties of the brethren in the matter of relief work.

The Secretary is highly efficient and the Lodge Books and Records are in perfect order. This Lodge has excellent prospects.

#### WAHPUN LODGE, U.D.

Acting under instructions of the M.W. the Grand Master, I instituted this Lodge at the Masonic Hall, Edmonton, on the 15th April, being assisted by Officers of Jasper and Empire Lodges. The desire of the Officers in charge to obtain Masonic privileges for the Brethren is shown by their willingness to visit Edmonton for the purpose of being invested. The Officers expressed their appreciation of the action of the M.W. the Grand Master in granting the Dispensation.

I desire to express my appreciation of the honor which the Brethren of District No. 3 have conferred on me, and I beg to acknowledge the many kindnesses received at their hands during my term of office.

Fraternally submitted,

W. TURNBULL,  
D.D.G.M.

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#### FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

Lacombe, May 22nd, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brother:—

I beg to submit herewith my report for District Number Four.

This District, as at present, comprises eleven Lodges, as follows:

Wetaskiwin, No. 15, Wetaskiwin; Britannia, No. 18, Ponoka; Eureka, No. 10, Lacombe; Red Deer, No. 12, Red Deer; Kenilworth, No. 29, Red Deer; Innisfail, No. 8, Innisfail; Mountain View, No. 16, Olds; King Hiram, No. 21, Didsbury; Carstairs No. 20, Carstairs; Bowden, No. 42, Bowden; and Crossfield, No. 48, Crossfield.

I have visited each of the Lodges and am pleased to be able to report that progress has been made during the past year. Nearly all of them are in good financial condition, the Lodge rooms comfortable and secure, books well kept, but the Historical Registers in some cases have not been written up to date. The meetings have been regularly held in each Lodge with the exception of King Hiram, No. 21, who were so unfortunate as to have their Lodge room burned, and the average attendance has been fairly good.

Degree work was done in nearly all the Lodges on the occasion of my visits and I was gratified to note that the degrees were conferred with efficiency and skill, also that the candidates were proficient in their examinations and were without exception bright, earnest, young men who may be expected to do creditable work in the future history of Masonry in this Province. On October 27th I had the honor of assisting the M.W.G.M. in dedicating the new Lodge rooms occupied jointly by Red Deer, No. 12, and Kenilworth, No. 29, and on February 11th the new Lodge room at Didsbury, occupied by King Hiram Lodge, No. 21. Each of these Lodges are to be congratulated on the progress they have made and upon securing such comfortable and commodious quarters in the new brick buildings they now occupy. The King Hiram Lodge room had been destroyed by fire but the insurance enabled them to establish themselves in their present quarters without being financially crippled, and I look forward to their doing good work in the future. Bowden Lodge, No. 42, are financially embarrassed by the fine they were called upon to pay last year. This matter was reported by R.W. Brother Dickson, P.D.D.G.M. last year and considered by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, (as per G.L. Reports, 1914, page 88), who ruled that Bowden Lodge should pay the fine, but added a recommendation that an amount equivalent to the sum involved be credited to the Lodge. The Report of the Committee having been adopted, and Bowden Lodge having promptly paid the fine it would appear that they should now have sixty dollars to their credit with the Grand Lodge

Treasurer, although they have not been so advised. I would recommend that the amount now be paid them. Our Bowden Brethren appear to be earnest men and good Masons, and as their Lodge is small they can ill afford to pay so large a sum.

Fraternally submitted,

W. F. PUFFER,  
D.D.G.M.

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#### FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Provost, May 7th, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A. F. & A. M.

M W Sir and Brother:—

I have the honor to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in the Fifth Masonic District.

#### CAMROSE LODGE, No. 37

I visited this Lodge on March 4th, 1915. At my request the W.M. had called an emergent meeting for 10:30 in the morning. This was done that I might make four official visits in two days. Notwithstanding the inconvenient hour of the meeting I found all the officers in their places. I am pleased to report that I found this Lodge in a prosperous condition, well and efficiently officered in every station. The secretary's work being especially well done.

#### TUSCAN LODGE, No. 43

I visited this Lodge on the evening of March 4th, 1915. The Lodge opened punctually with a good attendance at the appointed hour. The W.M. was unavoidably absent, but his place was filled by W. Bro. Gibb. The First Degree was exemplified in good order. The Lodge room is well appointed; financial condition good, and the secretary's work is well done.

## COMET LODGE, No. 50

I made my official visit to this Lodge on the evening of September 8th, 1914, accompanied by W. Bro. Kilburn of Provost Lodge No. 61. The Lodge room was poor, but this Lodge has since my visit been removed to better and more commodious quarters. The First Degree was exemplified. On examining the books I found it necessary to make some suggestions for the improvement of this most important part of Lodge work.

## PROVOST LODGE, No. 61

I visited this Lodge on December 28th, 1914, and installed the officers. This is my home Lodge. I was received in due form. The condition of the Lodge room, furniture and secretary's books is good. I paid my second official visit to this Lodge March 31st, 1915. No degree work was done. A general discussion for the good of Masonry was conducted. The financial condition of this Lodge is good, interest in the work is well sustained. This Lodge has suffered a sad blow in the death of the W.M., W. Bro. W. A. Irwin, which took place just a few days after my second official visit.

## COAL LODGE, No. 62

I visited this Lodge on March 5th, 1915. In order to assist me the W.M. called an emergent meeting at 4:30 in the afternoon. All the officers were in their places and the attendance, membership considered, was good. The Lodge room and furniture is satisfactory. I suggested some improvements in secretary's work. The Lodge equipment was not protected by insurance but on my suggestion this has since been done.

## HARMONY LODGE, No. 75

I paid my official visit to this Lodge on the evening of March 5th, 1915. Attendance of officers and members was good. The Lodge room, furniture and equipment is good and the interest of the brethren is well sustained under the direction of the W.M. I was particularly pleased to notice the interest which the P.Ms. of this Lodge continued to take in its welfare. My reception at this Lodge was most cordial. The secretary's work is efficiently done.

**FIDELITY LODGE, No. 76**

On the evening of July 8th, 1914, I had the honor of accompanying the M.W. the Grand Master to this Lodge for the purpose of constituting and dedicating this Lodge. I must criticize the members of this Lodge for their unpunctuality; almost an hour of valuable time was wasted while we awaited the arrival of the brethren. I was pleased to see a goodly number of brethren from neighboring Lodges present.

The M.W. Grand Master gave the brethren a pleasing and helpful address.

**MORNING STAR LODGE, No. 79**

On July 7th 1914, at 2:30 p.m. I constituted and dedicated this Lodge under instructions from the M.W. Grand Master who was unable to be present. I was assisted by R.W. Bro. E. H. Malcolm of Killam and several other brethren. With the Masonic material available the future of this Lodge should be bright. The Lodge room is well appointed.

**EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 80**

On the evening of July 9th, 1914, I accompanied the M.W. Grand Master at the constitution and dedication of this Lodge. R.W. Bro. J. Watson Young, and W. Bro. Johnson of Camrose, and W. Bro. Gibb, of Killam, and several other visitors, assisted in the ceremony. The Lodge room accommodation was indifferent, but the brethren have since then applied for and been granted dispensation to remove to better premises. As an indication of the interest in Masonry in the Fifth Masonic District I would like to mention that six of the brethren from Loughheed worked their way on a railroad hand car a distance of 25 miles in order to be present. A good Masonic feeling prevails and the future of Masonry in Excelsior Lodge is bright.

**GENERAL**

Owing to general business depression and consequent financial stringency, I have been able to pay only one official visit to each Lodge in the Fifth Masonic District. And for the same reason I have not undertaken to continue the Lodge of Instruction which has been introduced by my predecessors with such success.

I took council with several of the Lodges in the District on this matter and the consensus of opinion seemed to indicate that it should be dropped for the year, but I sincerely hope that with the return of peace in Europe it will be continued by my successors.

I am pleased to report that every Lodge in this District is showing progress and that the general condition of Masonry is excellent.

One point that occurred to me was the advisability of making it compulsory that each W.M. be required to spend one year at the secretary's desk before he can be elevated to preside over the Lodge. The knowledge so found would prove invaluable to the Master and would enable him to personally supervise the books of his Lodge. Charters have been granted to three Masonic Lodges in this District during the Masonic year.

The average attendance of the respective Lodges is good.

I desire to thank all the Lodges in the Fifth Masonic District for the many kindnesses extended to me on my visitations and to those brethren who so ably assisted me in the discharge of my duties.

Fraternal submitted,

JOHN WILSON,  
D.D.G.M. Fifth Masonic District

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#### SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Stavely, May 8th, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A. F. & A. M.

M.W. Sir and Brother:—

I have the honor to submit herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in the Sixth Masonic District, as follows:

In travelling through the District in pursuance with my official duties I have been greatly impressed by the optimistic feeling which prevails in the various Lodges in this District. That the

year just past has not been as prosperous for them as former ones, cannot be denied owing to prevailing hard times, and this is most noticeable in the smaller Lodges; yet in spite of this, I may safely say, that every Lodge in this District is looking on the bright side of things and they all appear to be in excellent financial condition, and in their annual reports to me, in every case they speak of their prospects being bright and encouraging.

I have to report the following official visits:

October 27th, 1914, at Stavely Lodge No. 33, at Stavely. This is my own Lodge and I was received by the brothers with the kindness and hospitality which is characteristic of this Lodge. There was a good attendance and the Lodge register shows that all meetings have a good turn-out. At the conclusion of the evening's business we were joined by the ladies and the remainder of the evening was spent in cards, lunch being provided at the close.

November 17th, 1914, I visited Cairo Lodge, No. 32, at Claresholm. Inspection of the books showed good attendance and historical register written up to date; it also showed this Lodge's financial condition to be good, though there is a considerable amount of dues outstanding. After disposing of the usual routine of business, the E.A. Degree was conferred upon a candidate very impressively by W. Bro. Kingsley, the W.M.

This Lodge pays very strict attention to detail and the floor work of this Degree was carried out very smoothly. I understand that they hold frequent practice meetings which no doubt accounts for this.

December 10th, 1914, at Cornerstone Lodge, No. 19, at High River, where I met with a very cordial reception from the brethren. Besides the regular business of the evening the F. C. Degree was conferred by the W. Master, W. Bro. Casteel. The Degree was put on very completely and was well up to the standard of good work always done in this Lodge. The Lodge records are in very excellent shape, the historical register being written up to date, all other books bearing testimony to the excellent work of their secretary, Bro. P. G. Thomas.

January 15th, 1915, was received by Nanton Lodge No. 17 at Nanton very kindly and cordially. In addition to the usual business I witnessed the exemplification of the M.M. Degree by W. Bro. Jessup, the Worshipful Master. It was carried out most creditably and as this was the first time that the new officers had taken

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charge of the Lodge, it certainly reflected credit upon them and I congratulate them upon their proficiency. Their meetings are well attended and their Lodge records are in good shape with the exception of the historical register which is not written up to date, but I was assured that this would be done.

February 5th, 1915, I had the honor of accompanying the M.W. the Grand Master upon his official visit to Corinthian Lodge No. 22 at Okotoks. As I had already arranged to pay an official visit myself to this Lodge on that date, when notified to attend the M.W. the Grand Master, I took occasion to inspect the Lodge books and records, all of which I found to be very nicely kept by the secretary, W. Bro. Knowles. Their historical register is a little behind but that will be rectified I was informed. The financial condition of this Lodge is perhaps the best of any Lodge in this District.

February 6th, 1915, I again attended the M.W. the Grand Master on his official visit to Stavely Lodge, No. 33, at Stavely. As this meeting had been called at rather short notice no work had been arranged for the evening and the session was a short one. The address which we received from our M.W. Grand Master on this occasion was one which everyone, whose privilege it was to be present, will long remember and profit by. After closing down the Lodge the ladies were admitted and the remainder of the evening spent in cards and refreshments.

February 25th, 1915, I held a Lodge for Instruction in the Lodge room of Cornerstone Lodge, No. 19, at High River on this date for the purpose of exemplifying the three degrees as worked by York Rite Lodges. Lodge was opened at 2 p.m., when Stavely Lodge, No. 33, was called upon to put on the E.A. Degree, this was followed by Nanton Lodge, No. 17, with the F.C. Degree, and in the evening session, Cornerstone Lodge, No. 19, conferred the M.M. Degree upon a candidate. It is no exaggeration to say that each of these Lodges carried out their part splendidly and I found upon enquiry that they had been practising hard for the occasion and the result fully justified these efforts. The attendance at the afternoon session was over 50, whilst in the evening the register showed that over 75 were present. All present were much pleased with the success of the day's labors and the hope was expressed that these Lodges for instruction would become annual affairs as the benefit derived was well worth the trouble involved, not only on account of the improvement in the work done, but also in the fact that it brought so many brethren together. Amongst the brethren present was R.W. Bro. Stewart, P.D.D.G.M. of District No. 2, who in the course of the evening gave us the benefit of his experience in a nice address.



I may say that it had been my intention to have a Lodge of this nature for the benefit of Lodges who work the Canadian work in this District, but as I did not meet with very much encouragement from the Lodges who work under this ritual I did not consider it advisable to hold one.

April 27th, 1915, I again visited Stavely Lodge, No. 33, in Stavely, and was received by a very nice turnout of the members. This Lodge does good consistent work and it is a noticeable fact that they emphasize quite strongly the social end of their Lodge meetings, by frequently inviting their ladies to be present after Lodge is closed. They find that it helps very considerably in keeping up interest among the members.

April 29th, 1915, I paid my official visit to Joppa Lodge, No. 40, at Granum. I inspected the books of this Lodge and found them in good shape; their minutes are nicely kept by the secretary, Bro. Scott Peebles, and their Lodge register shows a fair average turnout at their meetings. There was no work on for this evening, but I judged from the way in which their Master, W. Bro. Richards, handles his Lodge, that their work is quite up to the standard. Their financial condition is good, and I noticed that this Lodge has a very substantial "St. John's Fund" for benevolent purposes. The condition of this Lodge is excellent.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Lodges in this District for the honor they have paid to me in electing me to the high office of District Deputy Grand Master, and also to thank them for the many courtesies and kindnesses which I have received at their hands whilst on my official visits.

Fraternally submitted.

R. A. HOPKINS,  
D.D.G.M. District No. 6.

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#### SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

Bassano, Alta., May 15th, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M W. Sir and Brother:—

I have much pleasure in tendering my report for my superintendence of the Seventh Masonic District.

My first official visit was to Brooks Lodge on Oct. 14th, 1914, where I witnessed W.M. Anderson exemplify the Second and Third Degrees and on the occasion of my second visit, May 11th, 1915, W.M. Chudleigh conferred the First Degree, all three Degrees were in full and splendidly put on. I found the affairs of the Lodge in good shape, books well kept, and the harmony and enthusiasm an example to all.

My first visit to Strathmore Lodge on November 16th, 1914, was a surprise one and a true indication of their loyalty to the Lodge. I saw a splendid turnout of the members, both then and on April 26th, when I paid them another visit and their high average is something to be proud of, in fact the best in the district. Their work shows the effect of their enthusiasm and leaves little to be desired, the secretarial work is neatly and carefully done, the only fault I found was a common one, i.e., the Historical Register being almost entirely neglected.

This Lodge is a credit to the District.

On the occasion of the first of my three visits to Gleichen Lodge they elected the Officers for the year 1915, and the choice of the brethren was amply justified for the fine way that the Officers co-operated and performed the ceremonies was a pleasure to see.

I attended on December 8th, 1914, April 16th, 1915, May 5th, 1915.

The Books, kept by R.W. Bro. Canon Stocken, show the results of years of efficient attention and leave nothing to be desired.

On January 26th, 1915, I attended Langdon Lodge and installed the Officers for the term of 1915, but found that the W.M. was then in uniform of the 12th and liable to be called away at any time, however, the Lodge has a capable P.M. to take the ceremonial duties of the Lodge and so they are safe for this year. Fire caused them a loss but they are slowly recuperating, and have a supply of very promising material.

I attended at Acme Lodge on March 11th, 1915, and found a beautifully decorated Lodge room, and the members are to be congratulated on the way they have recovered from their losses having been burned out and cleaned up three times in succession, and now they are in good shape and absolutely out of debt, their attendance is good and everything is very satisfactory.

I paid four visits to Bassano Lodge. November 23rd, installed Officers; December 27th, January 24th, and on March 23rd, 1915, the date set by the M.W. the Grand Master Jackson for his official visit, and who was accompanied by R.W. the Deputy Grand Master S. Y. Taylor and R.W. Bros. Rankin, Empey, Argue and H. D. R. Stewart, also W. Bro. Trickey, who assisted him to dedicate the Masonic Hall, and the remainder of the evening was taken up as a Lodge of Instruction, which was greatly appreciated by Brethren from different Lodges in the District.

Fraternally submitted,

ROBT. H. STRUTHERS

D.D.G.M.

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### EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Pincher Creek, April 7th, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A. F. & A. M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

I have the honor of submitting the following as my report on the condition of Masonry in the Eighth Masonic District for the year 1915.

### CHINOOK LODGE, No. 47

On June 8th, I had the pleasure of visiting this Lodge and saw the First Degree put on by W. Bro. H. McMillan, who was ably assisted by his Wardens and was put on in first class style. I again visited them on July 6th and saw the Second Degree put on by W. Bro. Johnston, and it was well done. In October, 1914, they had the misfortune of being burned out. They lost everything, including books and regalia. I am pleased to report that the Lodge has secured a very suitable Lodge room and is in good shape again. I again visited officially on Mar. 1st and saw the First Degree put on by W. Bro. H. McMillan in the absence of the W. Master, W. Bro. Johnston, who has joined the overseas contingent to go to the front as a Doctor. The books are kept in good shape and the prospects are good for this Lodge.

## ALBERTA LODGE, No. 3

I visited Alberta Lodge, No. 3, on February 24th, and it was a very great pleasure to me to visit this Lodge. It makes a person feel at home, and more especially when M.W. Bro. Patterson and R.W. Bro. Murison are present. The books are kept in good shape and the Lodge owns its own Lodge room. It is in very good shape financially, but there are quite a number in arrears; but every effort is being made to have dues collected in. The prospects of the Lodge are good.

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN LODGE, U.D.

On September 14th, I visited this Lodge and was sorry to find them in very poor shape for officers, as they kept going away and were holding the Lodge back, and were it not for the assistance rendered by the brethren of the Summit and Sentinel Lodges, I do not know how they would have progressed. I informed the W. Master that he would have to do something and get right down to work and try and get men into office that were going to stay with them, and get up the work if they expected to get their warrant or charter, as the names of the present officers were the names that appear on the charter as the first officers of the Lodge, and then they could choose on the night of their installation of officers after their charter was granted by the Grand Lodge, and at any time I would be only too pleased to give them any assistance that I could if they would let me know, but to get right to work. On February 8th when I next visited them I can assure you I was surprised to see how much they had improved. The W. Master, Bro. Passmore, put on the First, Second and Third Degrees to let me see how they had progressed, and I can assure you that it was a pleasure to see how they did the work, and what is more gratifying, they have not a single member in arrears, and I may say that it is the only Lodge that has their historical register written up to date and it is well done. Their books are well kept and regular. The Lodge is in good shape, both financially and in quality of members, and has a very good attendance every night. M.W. Sir and brethren of the Grand Lodge I have very much pleasure in recommending that a Warrant or Charter be granted to Rocky Mountain Lodge.

## SPITZIE LODGE, No. 6

On June 24th, I had the pleasure of visiting Spitzie Lodge, No. 6, and Chinook Lodge, No. 47, in company with the Grand Master. M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, at the joint installation of these lodges, when W. Bro. Wright installed the officers and after which the

Lodge was addressed by M.W. Bro. Jackson, and he gave a very instructive lecture on Masonry, after which the Lodge was closed and the brethren retired to the room below for the Fourth Degree and some very good speeches were made. I again visited officially on February 26th and saw the Second Degree conferred on three candidates by the W. Master, Bro. T. Newman, and it was well done. The books of the Lodge are very well kept but show that there are quite a number of members in arrears for dues, but every effort is being made to collect them in, but it is very hard work. The Lodge owns its own hall which is rented to Kether Chapter and the Eastern Star. The Lodge is in very good standing and has very good prospects.

#### SENTINEL LODGE, No. 26

I had the pleasure of visiting this Lodge in February at their regular meeting and saw the Second Degree put on in good shape by W. Bro. Ross and the other officers of the Lodge, although this Lodge suffered a heavy blow last summer in the mine explosion in losing a number of its members. I am pleased to say that the true spirit of Masonry still remains with them and will always be so as long as R.W. Bro. Burnett and W. Bro. Cruickshank remain among them. Their books are in good shape and are well kept. The Lodge has a good financial standing and has every prospect for the future.

#### SUMMIT LODGE, No. 30

I had the pleasure of visiting this Lodge on April 1st. Their books are in good shape and they are in good financial standing. I may say that the Lodges in the Pass are to be congratulated on the way that they keep to the teachings of Masonry and the good feeling that prevails among them, for they are more like one family.

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In closing I may say that I have to thank the brethren of the Eighth District for the able assistance that they have given me in the past and the very cordial welcome extended to me on my visits to the various Lodges.



Fraternally yours,

A. R. DEMPSTER, D.D.G.M.

District No. 8, A. F. & A. M.

## NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT.

Red Willow, Alta., May 22nd, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brother:—

I regret to report that I have been unable to visit three of the Lodges in this District, namely, St. Andrew's at Trochu, Ionic at Alix, Fidelity at Bashaw.

I accompanied the M.W. Grand Master to Hanna and Youngstown when he consecrated new Lodges in each of these places.

Hanna Lodge, No. 78, at Hanna.  
Acadia Lodge, No. 82, at Youngstown.

Both of these Lodges are started under very favorable conditions and give every promise of being good permanent Lodges.

The report of our visit to these places would not be complete did I not mention the courteous treatment received from the Officers and Members of the Lodges and especially from Bro. Smith of Hanna.

Coronation Lodge at Coronation, Beaver Lodge at Castor, and Apollo Lodge at Stettler are all in a flourishing condition and doing good work, and I found the books in each of these Lodges in a satisfactory condition.

From the report received from Ionic Lodge at Alix I would judge it to be in good condition and doing good work, but think this Lodge should make a special effort to reduce the total of their arrearage which seems very large. I regret to report that this statement does not include the report of Acadia Lodge at Youngstown, as I have not received it to date. I thank the members of District No. 9 for electing me D.D.G.M. and regret that I have been unable to fill this office in a satisfactory manner, either to myself or District, owing to conditions I could not overcome this year.

Fraternally submitted,

STANLEY H. RIGGS.

D.D.G.M. District No. 9

## TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Vermilion, 15th May, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A. F. & A. M.

M W. Sir and Brother:—

Permit me to submit the following report as to the condition of Masonry in No. 10 District.

## HOPE LODGE, No. 38

My first visit was to Hope Lodge on November 27th, accompanied by a number of Vermilion brethren, where a pleasant and profitable evening was spent, it being election of officers.

## CONNAUGHT LODGE, No. 69

I visited the Lodge on December 1st and was pleased to find it in a flourishing condition, there being five applications and two initiations that evening. Worshipful Brother Nichol and a number of brethren from Tuscan Lodge, Killam, were also present and added to the interest and welfare of Masonry.

## BUFFALO PARK LODGE, No. 44

On December 2nd, I visited this Lodge and found a good attendance. Their method of conducting the business of the Lodge is very thorough and the officers well up in their work.

## VICTORIA LODGE, No. 13

I paid my official visit on December 28th and had the honor of installing the officers of this Lodge and found a harmonious and progressive spirit prevailing among the brethren.

## VERMILION LODGE, No. 24

On December 29th at a joint installation of Vermilion No. 24, and Hope Lodge No. 38, held in Vermilion, I had the pleasure as well as the honor of installing the officers in their respective offices. This Lodge is very progressive, having a good attendance especially of Past Masters.

## ST. JOHN LODGE, No. 25

I visited this Lodge on April 5th, 1915, and saw the Third Degree conferred in a very able and creditable manner. The conditions of the Lodge are good and prospects are bright. This is the only Lodge in No. 10 District working under the York Rite.

## PALESTINE LODGE, No. 46

I had arranged for a meeting early in December but, owing to a patriotic concert being held there that evening, we were unable to hold our meeting. On April 7th I visited this Lodge and was cordially received, there being a good attendance of members as well as a number of visiting brethren. Owing to the slight increase of new members they are not as perfect in their Degree Work as desired.

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A petition from Lamont has been forwarded to Grand Lodge for the institution of a Lodge in that place. It is being promoted by a number of energetic and enthusiastic Masons and I doubt not but it will be a success if granted by the M.W. Grand Master.

On assuming office I intended visiting the Lodges in the District at least twice during my tenure of office and also to hold Lodges of Instruction at some point on each line of railway but, owing to the continuance of the war and the extra claims made on the brethren, I deemed it unwise to carry out my plans, being well pleased with the general conditions of Masonry in the District.

Before closing my report I would cheerfully recommend the formation of a new Masonic district or re-arrangement of districts number three and ten so that each district would comprise Lodges on one line of railway. This recommendation is prompted by the inconvenience and difficulty of covering both lines of railway in No. 10 District.

In conclusion, I must thank the brethren of the district for the honour conferred by electing me D.D.G.M., and also for the kind and courteous manner in which I was received by the various Lodges during my official visits.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. SEED,  
D.D.G.M. District No. 10.



## ELEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Lethbridge, 15th May, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A. F. & A. M.

Most Worshipful Sir:—

I beg to submit herewith my official report as D.D.G.M. of District No. 11.

When notified of my election to this very important office I made up my mind that, if possible, I would visit each of the Lodges in my District at least twice during my term.

This, with one exception, I have been able to carry out. My first visit in nearly every case was as an ordinary visitor, and when time would permit I asked that an open discussion take place on different points of Masonry which any of the brethren were not quite clear on, and I believe in many instances this proved of great value to those present.

Owing to the great crisis in which our country is involved, Masonry has felt the strain upon its membership, likewise on account of financial conditions the applications for membership to our fraternity have in some instances not been as great in number as in previous years, but I sincerely believe that all the Lodges are working with a stronger and truer Masonic spirit than ever before.

Not only have I endeavored to impress upon the members of the various Lodges the necessity of their being very particular in their choice of new initiates, but my greatest aim during my year of office has been to try and impress upon the officers and members of each Lodge the duty which rests upon each individual member of seeing that every mason within its jurisdiction conducts himself as every mason should, for masonry today is judged solely by the actions of those who are members of the craft.

Regarding the holding of Lodges of Instruction, after conferring with the M.W. Grand Master, I decided to let the Lodges say whether they wished to have them held or not. Knowing the many calls that had been made upon them for various causes, and that a considerable expense was necessary, I asked them to advise me

if they wished one held, but general feeling was that all obtainable money would be needed for relief, etc.

I am pleased to report that at this date every Lodge in District No. 11 is carrying insurance on their property.

## VISITS

### NORTH STAR LODGE, No. 4

During my year of office I have visited this Lodge on nine different occasions, and each visit afforded me a great deal of pleasure. On Dec. 28th a joint installation meeting was held in the Masonic Hall at Lethbridge, consisting of North Star No. 4, Lethbridge, No. 39, Diamond City No. 65, and Charity Lodge No. 67, at which the M.W. the Grand Master, Brother Judge Jackson, officiated, and I had the pleasure of assisting him in the capacity of Director of Ceremonies, thus getting acquainted with the officers and members of four of the Lodges in my district.

I paid my official visit to this Lodge on their regular meeting, April 12th, no degrees were conferred on this occasion, but I know them to be very efficient in their work having seen all the degrees put on at other meetings.

Upon examination I found their books to be in good shape, but a great many members in arrears for dues and was obliged to ask the W.M. to have a special effort made to have them collected

### LETHBRIDGE LODGE, No. 39

This being my home Lodge and being a fairly active and attentive member of it, and also having visited it in company with the Grand Master on three different occasions, I did not make any special official visit of my own.

This Lodge is in good condition, both financially and otherwise, and are giving very liberally for relief; the past masters are all retaining an active interest in the work, and in this respect a word of praise is due W. Bro. Haye in seeing that every P.M. had a chance to do some part of the work when it was possible for them to be present at the meetings. I believe if this plan were followed by the Masters of the different Lodges it would be a stimulant for the Past Masters to be more regular attendants.

## ROBERT BURNS LODGE, No. 49

I visited this Lodge on October 29th. The general business was conducted in a very prompt and efficient manner by W. Bro. Quayle; there being no work a general discussion followed.

I visited this Lodge again on Feb. 4th when the M.M. Degree was conferred by R.W. Bro. McNaughton in a most impressive manner. This Lodge is in splendid condition.

## CHIEF MOUNTAIN LODGE, No. 58

On June 20th I had the pleasure of installing the officers of this Lodge, and again on Feb. 21st I visited them accompanied by the officers of Lethbridge Lodge No. 39 who conferred the Second Degree on two candidates. This Lodge having decided to work in the Canadian Rite, and not being very familiar with the work, the evening was spent in giving them instruction in the opening and closing and other work pertaining to this rite.

The books of this Lodge are in good shape, but a rather hard year faces them, several of their members having gone to the front.

## DIAMOND CITY LODGE, No. 65

This is the nearest Lodge to my home, but I have been very unfortunate in my visits to them. You cannot reach them by railway and I have had to postpone two visits on account of the weather. However, I was with them at the joint installation on Dec. 28th, and have arranged a visit for May 21st, when the First Degree is to be conferred. Being well acquainted with the Master, V.W. Bro. Scott, I have his assurance that they are progressing favorably.

## CHARITY LODGE, No. 67

On Nov. 19th I visited this Lodge and had the pleasure of assisting in the conferring of the First Degree.

On April 9th I accompanied the M.W. Grand Master on his official visit to this Lodge. No degrees were conferred but the general business was conducted in a very able manner. A very instructive address on Masonry was given by the M.W. Grand Master which was enjoyed by all. The books are well kept and the members enthusiastic.

## VULCAN LODGE, No. 74

It gave me a great deal of pleasure to instal the officers of this Lodge on Dec. 29th. A more enthusiastic bunch of Masons would be hard to find. This is one of the Lodges that believes in having the ladies at their Fourth Degree, and from a social standpoint this would be a great benefit to every Lodge. This Lodge conferred 32 degrees during the year, and although I did not have the pleasure of seeing them do any work, am satisfied that the officers are proficient in their work, as all else in connection with the Lodge would indicate.

## CHAMPION LODGE, U.D.

I visited this Lodge twice during the year and again on April April 29th. On this last date I accompanied the M.W. Grand Master and a very pleasant and instructive evening was spent; the M.M. Degree was to have been conferred, but owing to one of the officers, who lived several miles in the country, being detained until very late, the work was dispensed with.

For a young Lodge they have had a very successful year. Their books are in good shape and they are working together very harmoniously and I have very much pleasure in recommending that a charter be granted them.

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In conclusion I wish to thank all the Brethren who accompanied me on my various visits, and to those who were responsible for my election to this high office, I wish to say that I hope my work has in some measure justified my election and that their confidence was not entirely mis-placed.

Yours fraternally,

J. T. GRAHAM,

D.D.G.M. District No. 11

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Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), seconded by R.W. Bro. Geo. Murray (2), "That the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters be received and referred to the Committee on the Condition of Masonry."

## REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members  
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

I herewith submit a statement of receipts and disbursements  
of Grand Lodge, for the Masonic year just passed:—

## RECEIPTS

Feby, 1st, 1914 to Jany. 31st, 1915.

|      |                                    |             |
|------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1914 |                                    |             |
| Feb. | 1—To Balance brought forward ..... | \$4,920.06  |
| Feb. | 20— “ Credit .....                 | 1,088.10    |
| Mch. | 30— “ “ .....                      | 770.35      |
| May  | 4— “ “ .....                       | 11.10       |
| June | 15— “ “ .....                      | 334.35      |
| Aug. | 17— “ “ .....                      | 1,663.10    |
| Oct. | 13— “ “ .....                      | 1,002.12    |
| Oct. | 31— “ “ .....                      | 630.05      |
| Dec. | 7— “ “ .....                       | 622.10      |
| Dec. | 7— “ “ .....                       | 287.15      |
| Dec. | 26— “ “ .....                      | 482.50      |
| 1915 |                                    |             |
| Jan. | 14— “ “ .....                      | 2,167.43    |
| Jan. | 30— “ “ .....                      | 634.68      |
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|      |                                    | \$14,613.09 |

## EXPENDITURES

From Jan. 1st, 1914, to Dec. 31st, 1914.

|                                                   |         |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------|
| 1—Star Printing Co., books, stationery .....      | 40 60   |
| 2—Linton Bros., sundries .....                    | 3 10    |
| 3—Grand Lodge of Canada, books .....              | 50 00   |
| 4—Grand Secretary, postage, express, salary ..... | 178 90  |
| 5—Grand Secretary, rent account, 1913 .....       | 300 00  |
| 6—Masonic Home, School Fund .....                 | 500 00  |
| 7—Linton Bros., office sundries .....             | 4 65    |
| 8—Star Printing Co., stock printing .....         | 10 75   |
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| Carried forward .....                             | 1088 00 |

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Brought forward .....                                                     | 1088 00   |
| 9—Dominion Regalia Co., regalia .....                                     | 57 40     |
| 10—J. D. Mc Ara, printing stock .....                                     | 93 25     |
| 11—Grand Master, expense account .....                                    | 191 80    |
| 12—Grand Secretary, postage, express, exchange, salary .....              | 174 00    |
| 13—Stafford & Kent, embossing charters .....                              | 3 00      |
| 14—Masonic Relief Assn. Canada, U.S.A. Sub. ....                          | 6 90      |
| 15—Pantagraph Printing Co., lists regular lodges .....                    | 42 60     |
| 16—Dominion Regalia Co., regalia .....                                    | 114 75    |
| 17—Calgary Bookbinding Co., mailing tubes .....                           | 60        |
| 18—Grand Secretary, postage, exchange, salary .....                       | 184 70    |
| 19—Alberta Masonic Home & School Fund, grant....                          | 500 00    |
| 21—Mrs. Slater, grant relief .....                                        | 200 00    |
| 22—Star Printing Co., printing stock .....                                | 17 00     |
| 23—Dominion Regalia Co., regalia .....                                    | 61 90     |
| 24—Grand Secretary, exchange, postage, salary .....                       | 200 20    |
| 25—Bank of Nova Scotia, telegrams .....                                   | 1 50      |
| 26—Dominion Regalia Co., regalia .....                                    | 132 40    |
| 27—Dickenson "The Stamp Man", rubber stamp .....                          | 1 20      |
| 28—Star Printing Co., stock printing .....                                | 55 20     |
| 29—Riley & McCormick, travelling chest .....                              | 35 25     |
| 30—Grand Secretary, postage, express, exchange, salary .....              | 166 15    |
| 31—Star Printing Co., stock printing .....                                | 35 50     |
| 32—A. M. Terrill, floral wreath .....                                     | 20 00     |
| 33—Rosery Flower Co., wreath .....                                        | 15 00     |
| 34—Linton Bros., office sundries .....                                    | 3 60      |
| 35—Dominion Regalia Co., regalia .....                                    | 57 40     |
| 36—Grand Master, expenses .....                                           | 253 45    |
| 37—Grand Tyler, expenses .....                                            | 20 00     |
| 38—Grand Secretary, postage, exchange, express, salary,<br>expenses ..... | 240 15    |
| 39—Masonic Relief Assn., yearly fee .....                                 | 30 20     |
| 40—Copp Clark Co., charters .....                                         | 309 00    |
| 41—Dominion Regalia Co., regalia .....                                    | 57 40     |
| 42—Calgary Bookbinding Co., mailing tubes .....                           | 25        |
| 43—Stafford & Kent, emgrossing charters .....                             | 27 00     |
| 44—Grand Secretary, salary and expense account .....                      | 219 16    |
| 45—Star Printing Co., printing Annual Proceedings....                     | 789 35    |
| 46—J. D. Mc Ara, stock printing .....                                     | 11 50     |
| 47—Dominion Regalia Co., regalia .....                                    | 57 40     |
| 48—Grand Secretary, salary and expense account .....                      | 322 40    |
| 49—King Solomon, 41, order G. L. ....                                     | 93 00     |
| 50—Mrs. M. V. F. Dawson, grant G. L. ....                                 | 150 00    |
| 51—Children's shelter, Lethbridge, G. L. grant .....                      | 150 00    |
| 52—S. J. Blair, Hillcrest, expense account .....                          | 23 80     |
| 53—Star Printing Co., stock printing .....                                | 75 00     |
| Carried forward .....                                                     | \$6287 40 |

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|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Brought forward .....                                     | \$6287 46  |
| 54—Linton Bros., office sundries .....                    | 1 00       |
| 55—Grand Secretary, salary and sundry expenses .....      | 169 23     |
| 56—Star Printing Co., stock printing .....                | 92 00      |
| 57—Copp Clark Co., parchment certificates .....           | 899 75     |
| 58—Grand Secretary, sundry expenses and salary .....      | 165 00     |
| 59—Union Bank, Hillcrest Relief Fund .....                | 150 00     |
| 60—Dominion Regalia Co., regalia .....                    | 118 80     |
| 61—Star Printing Co., stock printing .....                | 8 75       |
| 62—Wetaskiwin No. 15, relief grant .....                  | 12 50      |
| 63—Grand Secretary, salary and expense account .....      | 178 15     |
| 64—Star Printing Co., stock printing .....                | 3 75       |
| 65—Stafford & Kent, emgrossing charters .....             | 6 00       |
| 66—Office Specialty Co., cards, etc. ....                 | 76 10      |
| 67—Grand Secretary, sundry expenses and salary .....      | 189 25     |
| 68—Mrs. Slater, Benevolent Com. ....                      | 200 00     |
| 69—Wetaskiwin, No. 15, Benevolent Com. ....               | 12 50      |
| 70—Neilson Furn. Co., Mrs. McLellan, Benevolent Com. .... | 30 35      |
| 71—F. W. Mapson Co., Rent, Mds. McLellen, Ben. Com. ....  | 12 00      |
| 72—Linton Bros., office sundries .....                    | 3 35       |
| 73—Canada Fine Art Co., Christmas cards .....             | 57 00      |
| 74—Star Printing Co., stock printing .....                | 9 00       |
| 75—Grand Secretary, sundry expenses .....                 | 16 40      |
| Cheque charged back .....                                 | 11 25      |
|                                                           | <hr/>      |
|                                                           | \$8,709 59 |

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|-------------------|-------------|
| Receipts .....    | \$14,613 09 |
| Expenditure ..... | 8,709 59    |
|                   | <hr/>       |
| Balance .....     | \$5,903 50  |

Respectfully submitted,

N. J. LINDSAY, Grand Treasurer.

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Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. N. J. Lindsay (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), "That the report of the Grand Treasurer be received and referred to the Finance Committee."

## REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and  
Members of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren.—

I herewith present the Tenth Annual Report of your Grand Secretary, containing an account of all monies received by me during the year ending January 31st, 1915; the Expenditures made; a Cash Statement; Statement of Receipts; Loss and Gain and Balance Sheets; also a synopsis of the returns of the several Lodges to December 27th, 1914, together with, by instruction of the M.W. Grand Master, special communications summoned, by-laws and amendments thereto approved, dispensations issued, Grand Representatives appointed, and all other official acts of the M.W. Grand Master, and all other transactions of this office for the past year.

## PROCEEDINGS

Twelve hundred copies of the Proceedings of the Last Annual Communication were printed and distributed in accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge.

## CERTIFICATES

In accordance with Section 58 (12) of the Constitution, certificates were issued to all elected and appointed officers of Grand Lodge.

I have completed and issued 676 Master Mason's certificates for Brethren raised during the year.

During the past year three Life Members were registered and requisite certificates issued.

I have also issued 53 Past Master's Certificates to Past Masters making application for same.

## CHARTERS

In compliance with the orders of Grand Lodge, Charters were issued to the undermentioned Lodges, and these Lodges were duly constituted and their officers installed by the M.W. Grand Master or Brethren commissioned by him for that purpose, viz.:—



Fidelity Lodge, No. 76, at Bashaw, in the Fifth Masonic District, constituted 8th July, 1915, by M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, G.M.

Strathcona Lodge, No. 77, at Edmonton South, in the Third Masonic District, constituted 14th Sept., 1914, by M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, Grand Master.

Hanna Lodge, No. 78, at Hanna, in the Ninth Masonic District, constituted 26th Oct., 1914, by M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, Grand Master.

Morning Star Lodge, No. 79, at Lougheed, in the Fifth Masonic District, constituted 7th July, 1914, by R.W. Bro. John Wilson, D.D.G.M.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 80, at Strome, in the Fifth Masonic District, constituted 9th July, 1914, by M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, Grand Master.

Commercial Lodge, No. 81, at Edmonton, in the Third Masonic District, constituted 11th July, 1914, by M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, Grand Master.

Acadia Lodge, No. 82, at Youngstown, in the Ninth Masonic District, constituted 30th Oct. 1914, by M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, Grand Master.

Zetland Lodge, No. 83, at Calgary, in the First Masonic District, constituted 6th July, 1914, by M.W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, Grand Master.

The following Lodges were continued under dispensation on recommendation of Committee on Charters and New Lodges, viz.—

Champion Lodge, at Champion, in the Eleventh Masonic District.

Suffield Lodge, at Suffield, in the Second Masonic District.

Rocky Mountain Lodge, at Blairmore, in the Eighth Masonic District.

## NEW LODGES

Symbol Lodge, at Drumheller, in the Ninth Masonic District, twelve charter members. Dispensation issued 29th July, 1914. Willis E. McDonald, W.M.; S. Lent McMullen, S.W.; John Scott Moore, J.W. Instituted 31st Aug., 1914, by W. Bro. H. H. Munro, Apollo, No. 27.

Crescent Lodge, at Calgary, in the First Masonic District, twenty-four charter members. Dispensation issued 7th Dec., 1914. Rev. Robert Pearson, W.M.; Colin M. Cook, S.W.; S. E. Edmonds, J.W. Instituted 8th Dec., 1914 by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, D.D. G.M.

Wahpun Lodge, at Grouard, in the Third Masonic District, twelve charter members. Dispensation issued 20th March, 1915. Lt.-Col. W. F. W. Carstairs, W.M.; S. Harris, S.W.; H. S. Price, J.W. Instituted 15th April, 1915, by R.W. Bro. T. M. Turnbull, D.D.G.M.

Peace River, at Peace River Crossing, in the Third Masonic District, 29 charter members. Dispensation issued 15th May, 1915. D. A. Munro, W.M.; M. E. Grimshaw, S.W.; C. F. Cummings, J.W. Not yet instituted.

Lodges are also in process of formation at Monitor and Lamont.

## BY-LAWS APPROVED

The M.W. Grand Master has examined and approved the by-laws of the following Lodges:—

|                    |       |          |
|--------------------|-------|----------|
| Edmonton, No. 7    | Feb.  | 5, 1915  |
| Zetland, No. 83    | March | 12, 1915 |
| Victoria, No. 13   | March | 23, 1915 |
| Strathcona, No. 77 | March | 23, 1915 |
| Commercial, No. 81 | May   | 8, 1915  |
| Acadia, No. 82     | May   | 8, 1915  |
| Acme, No. 60       | May   | 15, 1915 |

## AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

|                     |       |          |
|---------------------|-------|----------|
| Bow River, No. 1    | July  | 2, 1914  |
| Ashlar, No. 28      | July  | 25, 1914 |
| King George, No. 59 | July  | 25, 1914 |
| Calgary, No. 23     | Sept. | 24, 1914 |
| Alberta, No. 3      | Dec.  | 5, 1914  |
| Acacia, No. 11      | Dec.  | 9, 1914  |
| Bow River, No. 1    | Feb.  | 25, 1915 |
| Summit, No. 30      | May   | 8, 1915  |

## DISPENSATIONS

The following dispensations have been issued by direction of the M.W. Grand Master:—

## TO WEAR REGALIA AT DIVINE SERVICE

|                          |      |          |
|--------------------------|------|----------|
| Beaver, No. 56           | June | 11, 1914 |
| Star of the West, No. 34 | June | 12, 1914 |
| St. John, No. 25         | June | 12, 1914 |
| Excelsior, No. 80        | June | 15, 1914 |
| Strathmore, No. 53       | June | 15, 1914 |
| Provost, No. 62          | June | 15, 1914 |
| North Star, No. 4        | June | 16, 1914 |
| Doric, No. 31            | June | 17, 1914 |
| Lethbridge, No. 39       | June | 17, 1914 |
| Vermilion, No. 24        | June | 27, 1914 |
| Suffield, U.D.           | June | 27, 1914 |
| Red Deer, No. 12         | June | 27, 1914 |
| Kenilworth, No. 29       | June | 27, 1914 |
| Camrose, No. 37          | June | 27, 1914 |
| Victoria, No. 13         | June | 27, 1914 |
| Eureka, No. 10           | June | 27, 1914 |
| Acacia, No. 11           | July | 30, 1914 |
| Bow Island, No. 64       | Oct. | 12, 1914 |
| Ionic, No. 45            | Oct. | 13, 1914 |
| Fidelity, No. 76         | Nov. | 11, 1914 |
| Edson, No. 68            | Nov. | 21, 1914 |
| Cairo, No. 32            | Dec. | 22, 1914 |
| Stavely, No. 33          | Dec. | 22, 1914 |
| King Hiram, No. 21       | May  | 8, 1915  |
| Morning Star, No. 79     | May  | 8, 1915  |

## TO ELECT AND INSTAL OUT OF TIME

|                   |      |          |
|-------------------|------|----------|
| Bassano, No. 55   | July | 2, 1914  |
| Tuscan, No. 43    | Jan. | 14, 1915 |
| Red Deer, No. 12  | Feb. | 20, 1915 |
| Provost, No. 61   | May  | 5, 1915  |
| Tawatinaw, No. 71 | May  | 13, 1915 |

## TO HOLD SPECIAL INSTALLATIONS

|                   |      |          |
|-------------------|------|----------|
| Connaught, No. 69 | June | 11, 1914 |
| Cascade, No. 5    | Nov. | 30, 1914 |
| Edmonton, No. 7   | Dec. | 4, 1914  |
| Unity, No. 51     | Dec. | 4, 1914  |
| Joppa, No. 40     | Dec. | 7, 1914  |

## To Hold Special Installations--Continued

|                      |      |          |
|----------------------|------|----------|
| Excelsior, No. 80    | Dec. | 8, 1914  |
| Commercial, No. 81   | Dec. | 9, 1914  |
| Alberta, No. 3       | Dec. | 9, 1914  |
| Vermilion, No. 24    | Dec. | 9, 1914  |
| Strathcona, No. 77   | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Tuscan, No. 43       | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Vulcan, No. 74       | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Quarry, No. 70       | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Mizpah, No. 35       | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Medicine Hat, No. 2  | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Stavely, No. 33      | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Hope, No. 38         | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Bow Island, No. 64   | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Grassy Lake, No. 57  | Dec. | 17, 1914 |
| Hanna, No. 78        | Dec. | 19, 1914 |
| Zetland, No. 83      | Dec. | 19, 1914 |
| Ashlar, No. 28       | Dec. | 19, 1914 |
| Morning Star, No. 79 | Dec. | 19, 1914 |
| Crossfield, No. 48   | Dec. | 19, 1914 |
| Fidelity, No. 76     | Dec. | 19, 1914 |
| Cairo, No. 32        | Dec. | 22, 1914 |
| Calgary, No. 23      | Dec. | 28, 1914 |
| Corinthian, No. 22   | Dec. | 28, 1914 |
| Robert Burns, No. 49 | Jan. | 2, 1915  |
| Coronation, No. 72   | Jan. | 14, 1915 |
| North Star, No. 4    | Jan. | 30, 1915 |

## TO HOLD SPECIAL ELECTION

|                      |      |          |
|----------------------|------|----------|
| Commercial, No. 81   | Oct. | 12, 1914 |
| Hope, No. 38         | Nov. | 4, 1914  |
| Fidelity, No. 76     | Nov. | 11, 1914 |
| King Solomon, No. 41 | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Comet, No. 50        | Dec. | 15, 1914 |
| Acme, No. 60         | May  | 8, 1915  |
| Chinook, No. 47      | May  | 19, 1915 |

## TO CONFER DEGREES OUT OF TIME

|                  |       |          |
|------------------|-------|----------|
| Champion, U.D.   | Nov.  | 4, 1914  |
| Zetland, No. 83  | Nov.  | 26, 1914 |
| Acadia, No. 82   | Dec.  | 4, 1914  |
| Spitzie, No. 6   | March | 11, 1915 |
| Bow River, No. 1 | May   | 5, 1915  |
| Spitzie, No. 6   | May   | 8, 1915  |

## TO RECONSIDER PETITIONS

|                          |       |          |
|--------------------------|-------|----------|
| Strathcona, No. 77 ----- | Nov.  | 21, 1914 |
| Langdon, No. 52 -----    | Feb.  | 8, 1915  |
| Britannia, No. 18 -----  | March | 12, 1915 |
| Gleichen, No. 36 -----   | April | 3, 1915  |

## TO ACT ON PETITION FROM WITHOUT LODGE JURISDICTION

|                        |      |         |
|------------------------|------|---------|
| St. John, No. 25 ----- | Jan. | 9, 1915 |
|------------------------|------|---------|

## TO CHANGE NIGHT OF REGULAR MEETING

|                          |      |         |
|--------------------------|------|---------|
| Commercial, No. 81 ----- | Feb. | 8, 1915 |
|--------------------------|------|---------|

## TO ACT WITH PHYSICAL DEFECT

|                            |      |         |
|----------------------------|------|---------|
| Morning Star, No. 79 ----- | Oct. | 3, 1914 |
|----------------------------|------|---------|

## INCORPORATION OF LOCAL LODGES

Certificate as called for by the Grand Lodge Act of Incorporation was issued to Bassano Lodge, No. 55, on 21st Sept., 1914, and to Commercial Lodge, No. 81, on 13th May, 1915, to enable them to secure incorporation under this Act.

## GRAND LODGE REPRESENTATIVES

Upon the recommendation of the M.W. Grand Master of Delaware, the M.W. Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. George B. Hynson, of Milford, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Delaware, vice Bro. Baynum removed on account of absence.

Upon the recommendation of the M.W. Grand Master of South Carolina, the M.W. Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. James W. Ivey, of Florence, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, vice W. Bro. F. B. Carrington removed on account of absence.

Upon the recommendation of the M.W. Grand Master of Oklahoma, the M.W. Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. Lorenzo H. Love, of Ardmore, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

Upon the recommendation of the Grand Master of Montana, the M.W. Grand Master has appointed M.W. Bro. J. W. Speers, of Great Falls, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Montana, vice M.W. Bro. H. L. Frank, deceased.

# SPECIAL COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE GRAND MASTER

## ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

M.W. Bro. G. H. Hogbin, Chairman.  
M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald. M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair.

## ON GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT

R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Chairman.  
R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop. R.W. Bro. T. F. English.

## ON GRAND LODGE LIBRARY

R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin, Chairman.  
R.W. Bro. W. G. Congdon. V.W. Bro. H. W. Ireland.

## ON FRATERNAL DEAD

R.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, Chairman.  
R.W. Bro. A. T. Stephenson. R.W. Bro. N. E. Carruthers

## AUDITORS

M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair. W. Bro. F. R. Jelfs

## MEMBERSHIP.

### Increase.

|                                       |     |       |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-------|
| Membership, December 27th, 1913 ----- |     | 6,039 |
| Initiated -----                       | 635 |       |
| Passed -----                          | 670 |       |
| Raised -----                          | 665 |       |
| Joined -----                          | 363 |       |
| Restored -----                        | 18  | 1,016 |
| Total Increase -----                  |     | 7,055 |

### Decrease.

|                         |     |     |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|
| Dimitted -----          | 209 |     |
| Suspended, N.P.D. ----- | 124 |     |
| Suspended, U.M.C. ----- | 3   |     |
| Died -----              | 47  |     |
| Total Decrease -----    |     | 383 |

|                                             |       |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|
| Total Membership, December 27th, 1914 ----- | 6,672 |
| Net Increase for the Year 1914 -----        | 633   |

Fraternally submitted,

G. MACDONALD,

Grand Secretary.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GRAND SECRETARY

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The Grand Secretary in Account with Grand Lodge

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Moneys received between February 1st, 1914, and January 31st, 1915

| No.               | Name of Lodge      | Amount    | No.                | Name of Lodge      | Amount    |
|-------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| 1.                | Bow River -----    | \$ 99 00  | 38.                | Hope -----         | 25 50     |
| 2.                | Medicine Hat ----- | 216 90    | 39.                | Lethbridge -----   | 143 75    |
| 4.                | North Star -----   | 136 05    | 40.                | Joppa -----        | 49 20     |
| 5.                | Cascade -----      | 102 60    | 41.                | King Solomon ----- | 142 05    |
| 6.                | Spitzie -----      | 44 75     | 42.                | Bowden -----       | 7 75      |
| 7.                | Edmonton -----     | 369 75    | 43.                | Tuscan -----       | 30 00     |
| 8.                | Innisfail -----    | 21 00     | 44.                | Buffalo Park ----- | 54 35     |
| 9.                | Perfection -----   | 355 40    | 45.                | Ionic -----        | 32 00     |
| 10.               | Eureka -----       | 110 80    | 46.                | Palestine -----    | 31 75     |
| 11.               | Acacia -----       | 89 45     | 47.                | Chinook -----      | 86 56     |
| 12.               | Red Deer -----     | 149 95    | 48.                | Crossfield -----   | 21 55     |
| 13.               | Victoria -----     | 80 30     | 49.                | Robert Burns ----- | 33 05     |
| 14.               | Jasper -----       | 151 45    | 50.                | Comet -----        | 82 85     |
| 15.               | Wetaskiwin -----   | 54 60     | 51.                | Unity -----        | 316 25    |
| 16.               | Mountain View --   | 32 25     | 52.                | Langdon -----      | 64 05     |
| 17.               | Nanton -----       | 29 50     | 53.                | Strathmore -----   | 32 75     |
| 18.               | Britannia -----    | 43 95     | 54.                | Mount Lebanon --   | 82 25     |
| 19.               | Cornerstone -----  | 103 75    | 55.                | Bassano -----      | 133 05    |
| 20.               | Carstairs -----    | 34 90     | 56.                | Beaver -----       | 85 85     |
| 21.               | King Hiram -----   | 15 75     | 57.                | Grassy Lake -----  | 16 25     |
| 22.               | Corinthian -----   | 53 50     | 58.                | Chief Mountain --  | 27 75     |
| 23.               | Calgary -----      | 147 45    | 59.                | King George -----  | 119 90    |
| 24.               | Vermilion -----    | 37 65     | 60.                | Acme -----         | 105 40    |
| 25.               | St. John -----     | 42 30     | 61.                | Provost -----      | 145 75    |
| 26.               | Sentinel -----     | 128 65    | 62.                | Coal -----         | 25 00     |
| 27.               | Apollo -----       | 80 25     | 63.                | Empire -----       | 159 20    |
| 28.               | Ashlar -----       | 116 25    | 64.                | Bow Island -----   | 150 70    |
| 29.               | Kenilworth -----   | 77 25     | 65.                | Diamond City ----- | 40 95     |
| 30.               | Summit -----       | 56 70     | 66.                | St. Andrew -----   | 22 00     |
| 31.               | Doric -----        | 49 25     | 67.                | Charity -----      | 29 20     |
| 32.               | Cairo -----        | 53 40     | 68.                | Edson -----        | 48 20     |
| 33.               | Stavely -----      | 25 80     | 69.                | Connaught -----    | 40 35     |
| 34.               | Star of the West-- | 52 60     | 70.                | Quarry -----       | 64 55     |
| 35.               | Mizpah -----       | 136 55    | 71.                | Tawatinaw -----    | 123 50    |
| 36.               | Gleichen -----     | 80 70     | 72.                | Coronation -----   | 128 85    |
| 37.               | Camrose -----      | 39 20     |                    |                    |           |
| Brought forward-- |                    | \$3419 60 | Carried forward -- |                    | \$6121 71 |

|                        |           |                         |            |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------|
| Brought forward--      | \$6121 71 | Brought forward--       | \$7200 11  |
| 73. Brooks -----       | 73 30     | U. D. Crescent -----    | 25 00      |
| 74. Vulcan -----       | 30 25     | Monitor -----           | 25 00      |
| 75. Harmony -----      | 38 50     |                         |            |
| 76. Fidelity -----     | 61 00     |                         | \$7,250 11 |
| 77. Strathcona -----   | 162 95    |                         |            |
| 78. Hanna -----        | 74 25     | Sundry Accounts -----   | 27 60      |
| 79. Morning Star ----  | 41 90     | Hillcrest Relief -----  | 1008 40    |
| 80. Excelsior -----    | 29 15     | Can. Vol. Field Hosp.-- | 1476 57    |
| 81. Commercial -----   | 119 25    | A. M. H. & S. Fund --   | 1161 00    |
| 82. Acadia -----       | 73 60     | Interest -----          | 349 69     |
| 83. Zetland -----      | 177 60    | District No. 2 -----    | 58 40      |
| U. D. Champion -----   | 74 90     | District No. 7 -----    | 30 15      |
| U. D. Rocky Mountain-- | 96 75     | District No. 8 -----    | 117 60     |
| U. D. Symbol -----     | 25 00     | District No. 9 -----    | 58 70      |
| Carried forward --     | \$7200 11 | Total -----             | \$11538 22 |

### DONATIONS AND RECEIPTS, 1914.

#### ALBERTA MASONIC HOME AND SCHOOL FUND.

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Perfection No. 9 ----- | \$ 111 00        |
| Lethbridge No. 39 ---- | 50 00            |
| Grand Lodge Alberta -  | 1000 00          |
| Interest, Mortgages -- | 304 00           |
| Interest, Bank -----   | 45 69            |
|                        | <u>\$1510 69</u> |

#### HILLCREST RELIEF FUND.

|                      |          |                         |          |
|----------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| 3. Alberta -----     | \$ 25 00 | Brought forward--       | \$388 60 |
| 5. Cascade -----     | 25 00    | 31. Doric -----         | 2 00     |
| 13. Victoria -----   | 16 00    | 33. Stavelly -----      | 10 00    |
| 14. Jasper -----     | 100 00   | 34. Star of the West -- | 25 00    |
| 16. Mountain View -- | 27 25    | 37. Camrose -----       | 61 50    |
| 17. Nanton -----     | 9 80     | 38. Hope -----          | 10 00    |
| 18. Britannia -----  | 50 00    | 40. Joppa -----         | 10 00    |
| 20. Carstairs -----  | 23 50    | 41. King Solomon ----   | 25 00    |
| 22. Corinthian ----- | 50 00    | 42. Bowden -----        | 10 00    |
| 24. Vermilion -----  | 40 00    | 45. Ionic -----         | 11 00    |
| 25. St. John -----   | 22 05    | 47. Chinook -----       | 25 00    |
| Carried forward --   | \$388 60 | Carried forward --      | \$578 10 |



|                      |          |                         |           |
|----------------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Brought forward--    | \$578 10 | Brought forward--       | \$741 10  |
| 48. Crossfield ----- | 15 00    | 78. Hanna -----         | 25 00     |
| 50. Comet -----      | 10 00    | 79. Morning Star ---    | 15 00     |
| 53. Strathmore ----- | 15 00    | 81. Commercial -----    | 25 00     |
| 54. Mount Lebanon -- | 10 00    | Masonic Service, Cal-   |           |
| 56. Beaver -----     | 25 00    | gary -----              | 52 30     |
| 61. Provost -----    | 10 00    | Mizpah Chapter, Rose    |           |
| 63. Empire -----     | 13 00    | Croix A. A. S. R., Ed-  |           |
| 69. Connaught -----  | 25 00    | monton -----            | 100 00    |
| 71. Tawatinaw -----  | 15 00    | Edmonton Lodge of       |           |
| 77. Strathcona ----- | 25 00    | Perfection, A. A. S. R. | 50 00     |
| Carried forward --   | \$741 10 |                         | \$1008 40 |

### CANADA LODGE—CANADIAN VOLUNTARY FIELD HOSPITAL.

|                        |          |                        |           |
|------------------------|----------|------------------------|-----------|
| 3. Alberta -----       | \$ 21 00 | Brought forward --     | \$821 57  |
| 5. Cascade -----       | 49 00    | 40. Joppa -----        | 25 00     |
| 7. Edmonton -----      | 33 75    | 41. King Solomon ---   | 19 00     |
| 11. Acacia -----       | 4 00     | 42. Bowden -----       | 10 00     |
| 12. Red Deer -----     | 33 00    | 45. Ionic -----        | 50 00     |
| 14. Jasper -----       | 40 00    | 47. Chinook -----      | 25 00     |
| 17. Nanton -----       | 38 00    | 50. Comet -----        | 16 00     |
| 18. Britannia -----    | 39 00    | 51. Unity -----        | 150 00    |
| 19. Cornerstone -----  | 110 00   | 53. Strathmore -----   | 50 00     |
| 20. Carstairs -----    | 23 50    | 56. Beaver -----       | 22 00     |
| 22. Corinthian -----   | 78 00    | 58. Chief Mountain --- | 25 00     |
| 23. Calgary -----      | 9 75     | 61. Provost -----      | 31 00     |
| 24. Vermilion -----    | 39 00    | 62. Coal -----         | 11 00     |
| 25. St. John -----     | 30 07    | 63. Empire -----       | 53 00     |
| 26. Sentinel -----     | 50 00    | 65. Diamond City ---   | 14 00     |
| 29. Kenilworth -----   | 36 00    | 69. Connaught -----    | 15 00     |
| 30. Summit -----       | 40 00    | 71. Tawatinaw -----    | 13 00     |
| 33. Stavelly -----     | 27 00    | 77. Strathcona -----   | 35 00     |
| 34. Star of the West-- | 21 00    | 78. Hanna -----        | 31 00     |
| 36. Gleichen -----     | 30 00    | 81. Commercial -----   | 42 00     |
| 37. Camrose -----      | 20 50    | 83. Zetland -----      | 7 00      |
| 38. Hope -----         | 49 00    | U.D. Suffield -----    | 11 00     |
| Carried forward --     | \$821 57 |                        | \$1476 57 |

G. MACDONALD,  
Grand Secretary.

Certified Correct:

S. J. BLAIR,  
F. R. JELFS,  
Auditors.

## CASH STATEMENT.

Monies received by the Grand Secretary from February 1st, 1914 to January 31st, 1915 and paid over to the Grand Treasurer.

| 1914. |                            | Dr.    |                   |
|-------|----------------------------|--------|-------------------|
| Feb.  | 1—To cash on hand .....    | \$ 232 | 15                |
| 1915. |                            |        |                   |
| Jan.  | 31—To receipts, 1915 ..... | 11538  | 22                |
|       |                            |        | <u>\$11770 37</u> |

| 1914. |                                        | Cr.    |                   |
|-------|----------------------------------------|--------|-------------------|
| Feb.  | 20—By Grand Treasurer, General Fund .. | \$1088 | 10                |
| Mch.  | 30—“ “ “ “                             | 770    | 35                |
| May   | 4—“ “ “ “                              | 11     | 10                |
| June  | 15—“ “ “ “                             | 334    | 35                |
| Aug.  | 19—“ “ “ “                             | 1663   | 10                |
| Oct.  | 13—“ “ “ “                             | 1002   | 12                |
| Oct.  | 31—“ “ “ “                             | 630    | 05                |
| Dec.  | 7—“ “ “ “                              | 622    | 10                |
| Dec.  | 7—“ “ “ “                              | 287    | 15                |
| Dec.  | 17—“ “ “ “                             | 482    | 50                |
| 1915. |                                        |        |                   |
| Jan.  | 24—“ “ “ “                             | 2167   | 43                |
| Jan.  | 30—“ “ “ “                             | 634    | 68                |
| 1914. |                                        |        |                   |
| Feb.  | 6—“ Grand Treasurer A.M.H. & S. Fund   | 500    | 00                |
| Mch.  | 30—“ “ “ “                             | 50     | 00                |
| June  | 15—“ “ “ “                             | 135    | 00                |
| Apr.  | 8—“ “ “ “                              | 500    | 00                |
| Aug.  | 21—“ “ “ “                             | 120    | 00                |
| Dec.  | 18—“ “ “ “                             | 160    | 00                |
|       | By Interest, June, 1914 .....          | 32     | 26                |
|       | By Interest, Dec., 1914 .....          | 13     | 43                |
|       | By Cash on hand, Feb. 1st, 1915.....   | 566    | 65                |
|       |                                        |        | <u>\$11770 37</u> |

G. MACDONALD,  
Grand Secretary.

Certified Correct:

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F. R. JELFS,  
Auditors.

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

| No. Order.            | In Whose Favor Drawn.                                        | Amount.   |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1—                    | Star Printing Co., Books and Stationery .....                | \$40 60   |
| 2—                    | Linton Bros., Sundries .....                                 | 3 10      |
| 3—                    | Grand Lodge of Canada, Books .....                           | 50 00     |
| 4—                    | Grand Secretary, Postage, Express and Salary .....           | 178 90    |
| 5—                    | Grand Secretary, Rent Account, 1913 .....                    | 300 00    |
| 6—                    | Masonic Home and School Fund .....                           | 500 00    |
| 7—                    | Linton Bros., Office Sundries .....                          | 4 65      |
| 8—                    | Star Printing Co., Stock Printing .....                      | 10 75     |
| 9—                    | Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia .....                          | 57 40     |
| 10—                   | J. D. McAra, Printing Stock .....                            | 93 25     |
| 11—                   | Grand Master, Expense Account .....                          | 191 80    |
| 12—                   | Grand Secretary, Postage, Express, Exchange & Salary .....   | 174 00    |
| 13—                   | Stafford & Kent, Embossing Charters .....                    | 3 00      |
| 14—                   | Masonic Relief Assn., Canada & U.S.A. Subscription .....     | 6 00      |
| 15—                   | Pantagraph Printing Co., Lists Regular Lodges .....          | 42 60     |
| 16—                   | Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia .....                          | 114 75    |
| 17—                   | Calgary Bookbinding Co., Mailing Tubes .....                 | 60        |
| 18—                   | Grand Secretary, Postage, Express and Salary .....           | 184 70    |
| 19—                   | Alberta Masonic Home and School Fund, Grant .....            | 500 00    |
| 20—                   | Tweedie and McGillivray, Mortgage Loan .....                 | 4000 00   |
| 21—                   | Mrs. Slater, Grant, Relief .....                             | 200 00    |
| 22—                   | Star Printing Co., Printing Stock .....                      | 17 00     |
| 23—                   | Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia .....                          | 61 90     |
| 24—                   | Grand Secretary, Exchange, Postage and Salary .....          | 200 20    |
| 25—                   | Bank of Nova Scotia, Telegrams .....                         | 1 50      |
| 26—                   | Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia .....                          | 132 40    |
| 27—                   | Dickinson, "The Stamp Man", Rubber Stamp .....               | 1 20      |
| 28—                   | Star Printing Co., Stock Printing .....                      | 55 20     |
| 29—                   | Riley & McCormick, Travelling Chest .....                    | 35 25     |
| 30—                   | Grand Secretary, Postage, Express, Exchange and Salary ..... | 166 15    |
| 31—                   | Star Printing Co., Stock Printing .....                      | 35 50     |
| 32—                   | A. M. Terrill, Floral Wreath .....                           | 20 00     |
| 33—                   | Rosery Flower Co, Wreath .....                               | 15 00     |
| 34—                   | Linton Bros., Office Sundries .....                          | 3 60      |
| 35—                   | Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia .....                          | 57 40     |
| 36—                   | Grand Master, Expenses .....                                 | 253 45    |
| 37—                   | Grand Tyler, Expenses .....                                  | 20 00     |
| 38—                   | Grand Secretary, Postage, Exchange, Express, Salary .....    | 240 15    |
| 39—                   | Masonic Relief Association, Yearly Fee .....                 | 30 20     |
| 40—                   | Copp Clark Co., Charters .....                               | 309 00    |
| 41—                   | Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia .....                          | 57 40     |
| Carried forward ..... |                                                              | \$8368 60 |

|                                                                |            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Brought forward .....                                          | \$8368 60  |
| 42—Calgary Bookbinding Co., Mailing Tubes .....                | 25         |
| 43—Stafford & Kent, Embossing Charters .....                   | 27 00      |
| 44—Grand Secretary, Salary and Expense Account .....           | 219 16     |
| 45—Star Printing Co., Printing Annual Proceedings .....        | 789 35     |
| 46—J. D. McAra, Stock Printing .....                           | 11 50      |
| 47—Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia .....                         | 57 40      |
| 48—Grand Secretary, Salary and Expense Account .....           | 322 40     |
| 49—King Solomon No. 41, Order G. L. ....                       | 93 00      |
| 50—Mrs. M. V. F. Dawson, Grant G. L. ....                      | 150 00     |
| 51—Children's Shelter, Lethbridge, G. L. Grant .....           | 150 00     |
| 52—S. J. Blair, Hillcrest Expense Account .....                | 23 80      |
| 53—Star Printing Co., Stock Printing .....                     | 75 00      |
| 54—Linton Bros., Office Sundries .....                         | 1 00       |
| 55—Grand Secretary, Sundry Expenses and Salary .....           | 169 23     |
| 56—Star Printing Co., Stock Printing .....                     | 92 00      |
| 57—Copp Clark Co., Parchment Certificates .....                | 899 75     |
| 58—Grand Secretary, Sundry Expenses and Salary .....           | 165 00     |
| 59—Union Bank, Hillcrest Relief Fund .....                     | 150 00     |
| 60—Dominion Regalia Co., Regalia .....                         | 118 80     |
| 61—Star Printing Co., Stock Printing .....                     | 8 75       |
| 62—Wetaskiwin No. 15, Relief Grant .....                       | 12 50      |
| 63—Grand Secretary, Salary and Expense Account .....           | 178 15     |
| 64—Star Printing Co., Stock Printing .....                     | 3 75       |
| 65—Stafford & Kent, Embossing Charters .....                   | 6 00       |
| 66—Office Specialty Co., Cards, etc. ....                      | 76 10      |
| 67—Grand Secretary, Sundry Expenses and Salary .....           | 189 25     |
| 68—Mrs. Slater, Grant Benevolent Co. ....                      | 200 00     |
| 69—Wetaskiwin No. 15, Benevolent Com. ....                     | 12 50      |
| 70—Neilson Furniture Co., Mrs. McLellen, Benevolent Com. ....  | 30 35      |
| 71—F. W. Mapson Co., Rent, Mrs. McLellen, Benevolent Com. .... | 12 00      |
| 72—Linton Bros., Office Sundries .....                         | 3 35       |
| 73—Canada Fine Art Co., Christmas Cards .....                  | 57 00      |
| 74—Star Printing Co., Stock Printing .....                     | 9 00       |
| 75—Grand Secretary, Sundry Expenses .....                      | 16 40      |
| --Diamond City No. 65, Cheque Charged Back .....               | 11 25      |
| Total .....                                                    | \$12709 59 |

G. MACDONALD,  
Grand Secretary.

Certified Correct:

S. J. BLAIR,  
F. R. JELFS,  
Auditors.

## LEDGER ACCOUNTS OUTSTANDING.

January 31st, 1915.

|                             |           |                              |           |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Bow River -----          | \$ 111 85 | Brought forward--            | \$1790 57 |
| 2. Medicine Hat ----        | 107 15    | 50. Comet -----              | 1 75      |
| 3. Alberta -----            | 176 90    | 51. Unity -----              | 3 00      |
| 4. North Star -----         | 2 35      | 52. Langdon -----            | 21 65     |
| 5. Cascade -----            | 38 40     | 53. Strathmore -----         | 61 15     |
| 7. Edmonton -----           | 24 60     | 54. Mt. Lebanon -----        | 72 75     |
| 8. Innisfail -----          | 28 64     | 57. Grassy Lake -----        | 90 10     |
| 9. Perfection -----         | 125 50    | 58. Chief Mountain --        | 24 00     |
| 11. Acacia -----            | 55 50     | 59. King George -----        | 2 30      |
| 12. Red Deer -----          | 39 40     | 60. Acme -----               | 142 15    |
| 14. Jasper -----            | 57 75     | 61. Provost -----            | 53 75     |
| 15. Wetaskiwin -----        | 25 75     | 62. Coal -----               | 60 10     |
| 17. Nanton -----            | 26 30     | 64. Bow Island -----         | 27 60     |
| 18. Britannia -----         | 85        | 65. Diamond City -----       | 26 05     |
| 21. King Hiram -----        | 44 40     | 66. St. Andrew -----         | 77 20     |
| 22. Corinthian -----        | 4 60      | 67. Charity -----            | 3 15      |
| 23. Calgary -----           | 3 10      | 68. Edson -----              | 21 50     |
| 24. Vermilion -----         | 45 20     | 70. Quarry -----             | 2 00      |
| 25. St. John -----          | 25 50     | 71. Tawatinaw -----          | 11 90     |
| 26. Sentinel -----          | 68 55     | 72. Coronation -----         | 53 20     |
| 28. Ashlar -----            | 22 85     | 73. Brooks -----             | 20 00     |
| 29. Kenilworth -----        | 5 60      | 74. Vulcan -----             | 32 25     |
| 30. Summit -----            | 66 70     | 76. Fidelity -----           | 156 65    |
| 31. Doric -----             | 24 90     | 77. Strathcona -----         | 185 95    |
| 32. Cairo -----             | 3 00      | 78. Hanna -----              | 10 95     |
| 33. Stavely -----           | 35 75     | 79. Morning Star -----       | 70 40     |
| 34. Star of the West. ----- | 05        | 80. Excelsior -----          | 40 50     |
| 35. Mizpah -----            | 68 00     | 81. Commercial -----         | 53 50     |
| 36. Gleichen -----          | 35 10     | 82. Acadia -----             | 83 20     |
| 37. Camrose -----           | 22 80     | 83. Zetland -----            | 2 00      |
| 38. Hope -----              | 2 00      | U.D. Champion -----          | 60        |
| 39. Lethbridge -----        | 40        | U.D. Suffield -----          | 52 65     |
| 40. Joppa -----             | 23 10     | U.D. Rocky Mountain. -----   | 29 75     |
| 41. King Solomon ---        | 16 90     | U.D. Symbol -----            | 60 75     |
| 42. Bowden -----            | 68 65     | U.D. Crescent -----          | 50 65     |
| 43. Tuscan -----            | 14 90     | Sundry Accounts -----        | 30 00     |
| 44. Buffalo Park ----       | 76 80     | Masonic District No. 7 ----- | 28 40     |
| 45. Ionic -----             | 92 80     | Masonic District No. 8 ----- | 57 30     |
| 46. Palestine -----         | 42 40     |                              |           |
| 47. Chinook -----           | 2 40      |                              |           |
| 48. Crossfield -----        | 33 10     |                              |           |
| 49. Robert Burns ----       | 120 10    |                              |           |
|                             |           | Total -----                  | \$3511 39 |

Carried forward --\$1790 59

## CREDIT BALANCES.

|                       |         |                        |          |
|-----------------------|---------|------------------------|----------|
| 6. Spitzie -----      | \$ 3 00 | Brought forward--      | \$5 10   |
| 10. Eureka -----      | 15      | 69. Connaught -----    | 15       |
| 13. Victoria -----    | 1 40    | 75. Harmony -----      | 2 00     |
| 19. Cornerstone ----- | 15      | U.D. Monitor -----     | 25 00    |
| 55. Bassano -----     | 15      | Masonic District No. 9 | 25       |
| 63. Empire -----      | 25      |                        |          |
| <hr/>                 |         | Total -----            | \$ 32 50 |
| Carried forward --    | \$5 10  |                        |          |

A further outstanding is composed of fees from returns of Palestine Lodge No. 46, Champion Lodge U.D., Suffield Lodge U.D. and Symbol Lodge U.D. covering half year ending 27th December, 1914.

G. MACDONALD,

Grand Secretary.

Certified Correct:

S. J. BLAIR,

F. R. JELFS,

Auditors.

## STATEMENT OF CASH

Received between February 1st and March 31st, 1915.

|                      |          |                       |           |
|----------------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------|
| 1. Bow River -----   | \$109 00 | Brought forward--     | \$808 00  |
| 2. Medicine Hat ---- | 75 00    | 35. Mizpah -----      | 37 65     |
| 3. Alberta -----     | 65 50    | 36. Gleichen -----    | 35 10     |
| 5. Cascade -----     | 38 25    | 37. Camrose -----     | 21 75     |
| 6. Spitzie -----     | 3 00     | 39. Lethbridge -----  | 6 10      |
| 8. Innisfail -----   | 24 65    | 40. Joppa -----       | 7 15      |
| 9. Perfection -----  | 119 50   | 41. King Solomon ---- | 25        |
| 11. Acacia -----     | 55 50    | 42. Bowden -----      | 68 40     |
| 12. Red Deer -----   | 38 50    | 43. Tuscan -----      | 9 00      |
| 14. Jasper -----     | 59 90    | 44. Buffalo Park ---- | 45 50     |
| 15. Wetaskiwin ----  | 25 75    | 45. Ionic -----       | 21 75     |
| 17. Nanton -----     | 24 15    | 48. Crossfield -----  | 31 10     |
| 21. King Hiram ----- | 27 00    | 49. Robert Burns ---- | 17 15     |
| 24. Vermilion -----  | 32 50    | 52. Langdon -----     | 21 80     |
| 26. Sentinel -----   | 68 80    | 53. Strathmore -----  | 34 75     |
| 31. Doric -----      | 18 25    | 54. Mt. Lebanon ----  | 69 75     |
| 33. Stavelly -----   | 22 75    | 57. Grassy Lake ----- | 7 00      |
| <hr/>                |          |                       |           |
| Carried forward --   | \$808 00 | Carried forward --    | \$1242 20 |

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|                        |           |                       |           |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Brought forward--      | \$1242 20 | Brought forward--     | \$1553 55 |
| 58. Chief Mountain---- | 7 00      | 79. Morning Star ---- | 28 75     |
| 60. Acme -----         | 22 00     | 82. Acadia -----      | 36 50     |
| 65. Diamond City ----  | 19 25     | 83. Zetland -----     | 51 10     |
| 68. Edson -----        | 21 50     | U. D. Suffield -----  | 18 00     |
| 72. Coronation -----   | 58 45     | U. D. Rocky Muntain-- | 20 75     |
| 74. Vulcan -----       | 30 40     | U. D. Wahpun -----    | 25 00     |
| 77. Strathcona -----   | 152 75    |                       |           |
| Carried forward --     | \$1553 55 | Total -----           | \$1733 65 |

G. MACDONALD,

Grand Secretary.

Certified correct:

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F. R. JELFS,

Auditors.

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

From February 1st, 1914, to January 31st, 1915.

|                                                |             |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Dues -----                                     | \$2882 00   |
| Initiations -----                              | 1184 00     |
| M. M. Certificates -----                       | 1149 00     |
| P. M. Certificates -----                       | 53 00       |
| L. M. Certificates -----                       | 3 00        |
| L. M. Fees -----                               | 15 00       |
| Charters -----                                 | 185 00      |
| Dispensations -----                            | 288 00      |
| Stock Supplies -----                           | 1488 86     |
| Sundry Fines and Exchange -----                | 111 70      |
| Home and School Fund, Donations -----          | 1161 00     |
| Home and School Fund, Interest Bank -----      | 45 69       |
| Home and School Fund, Interest Mortgages ----- | 304 00      |
| From Cascade Lodge, G. L. Ruling -----         | 103 00      |
| Acme Fire Fund -----                           | 80 00       |
| Hillcrest Relief Fund -----                    | 1008 40     |
| Canada Lodge, Field Hospital Fund -----        | 1476 57     |
| Total Cash Receipts -----                      | \$11,538 22 |

## DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENDITURES

January 1st, 1913, to December 31st, 1914.

|                                       |                    |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Books and Stationery .....            | \$ 1734 65         |
| Expense Account .....                 | 871 25             |
| Office Fixtures .....                 | 35 25              |
| Cheque charged back No. 65 .....      | 11 25              |
| Rent 1913 .....                       | 300 00             |
| Salaries Account .....                | 2000 00            |
| Postage, express, exchange, etc. .... | 205 19             |
| Printing account, sundries .....      | 884 20             |
| Regalia account .....                 | 657 45             |
| Special grants, benevolence .....     | 1010 35            |
| Special grants, A. M. H. & S. ....    | 1000 00            |
| Mortgage Investment, 8% .....         | 4000 00            |
| Total .....                           | <u>\$12,709 59</u> |

## INVESTMENT ACCOUNT, A. M. H. &amp; S.

|                                                    |                   |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Mortgage, R. A. Pyne, bearing interest at 8% ..... | \$ 600 00         |
| Mortgage, J. T. Macdonald, interest 8% .....       | 3000 00           |
| Mortgage, J. T. Macdonald, interest 8% .....       | 4000 00           |
|                                                    | <u>\$ 7600 00</u> |

G. MACDONALD,  
Grand Secretary.

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## INVENTORY OF STOCK

January 31st, 1915.

## Books and Stationery.

|                                   |        |          |
|-----------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Minute Books -----                | 8      | \$ 28 00 |
| Ledgers -----                     | 9      | 32 40    |
| Registers -----                   | 15     | 53 04    |
| Historical Registers -----        | 11     | 38 50    |
| Secretary's Cash Books -----      | 11     | 16 55    |
| Black Books -----                 | 9      | 15 40    |
| Treasurer's Cash Book -----       | 6      | 7 50     |
| Financial Records -----           | 16     | 20 00    |
| Cert. Elective Officers -----     | 28     | 30       |
| Cert. Appointed Officers -----    | 43     | 50       |
| Cert. Grand Representatives ----- | 20     | 30       |
| Cert. D.D.G.M. -----              | 24     | 24       |
| Order Grand Treasurer -----       | 2      | 1 00     |
| Disp. New Lodges -----            | 8      | 10       |
| Disp. General -----               | 600    | 2 00     |
| Disp. Regalia -----               | 100    | 1 00     |
| Agreements -----                  | 300    | 75       |
| Return Forms -----                | 1200   | 72 00    |
| Card Cabinets -----               | 20     | 90 00    |
| Cards -----                       | 25,000 | 190 00   |
| Pet. New Lodge -----              | 70     | 2 80     |
| Dimits -----                      | 950    | 19 00    |
| Account Forms -----               | 750    | 5 66     |
| Pet. Initiation -----             | 5000   | 34 00    |
| Pet. Affiliation -----            | 5000   | 32 00    |
| Ref. Petitions -----              | 5000   | 18 50    |
| Rejections -----                  | 500    | 2 60     |
| Susp. N.P.D. -----                | 1000   | 5 00     |
| Rest. N.P.D. -----                | 300    | 1 65     |
| Delinq. Dues -----                | 700    | 3 85     |
| Susp. U.M.C. -----                | 700    | 3 85     |
| Rest U.M.C. -----                 | 700    | 3 85     |
| Cert. Standing -----              | 300    | 6 00     |
| D.D.G.M. Returns -----            | 150    | 13 50    |
| Lodge Statements -----            | 800    | 6 80     |
| Receipt Forms G.L. -----          | 500    | 2 50     |
| Notices N.L. -----                | 200    | 1 00     |
| Cert. Installation -----          | 350    | 4 25     |
| Proxy -----                       | 1500   | 6 45     |
| Order on Treasurer -----          | 32     | 12 80    |
| Carried forward -----             |        | \$755 64 |

|                         |      |          |          |
|-------------------------|------|----------|----------|
| Brought forward -----   |      | \$755 64 |          |
| Receipt for Dues -----  | 9    | 3 60     |          |
| Ballots -----           | 1600 | 6 88     |          |
| Envelopes, small -----  | 3000 | 10 05    |          |
| Envelopes, medium ----- | 800  | 5 20     |          |
| Envelopes, large -----  | 750  | 6 40     |          |
| Letter Heads -----      | 1000 | 6 00     |          |
| Price Lists -----       | 35   | 45       |          |
| Gum Slips -----         | 400  | 1 11     |          |
| Seals, blue -----       | 100  | 50       |          |
| Seals, white -----      | 100  | 30       |          |
| Seals, gold -----       | 70   | 1 00     |          |
| Lodge Circulars -----   | 4400 | 25 00    |          |
| Visitors' Cards -----   | 800  | 2 40     |          |
| Visitors Notices -----  | 800  | 2 40     |          |
|                         |      |          | \$826 93 |

## Constitutions, etc.:

|                                |     |           |         |
|--------------------------------|-----|-----------|---------|
| Constitutions -----            | 750 | 300 00    |         |
| Ceremonials -----              | 400 | 280 00    |         |
| Combined Const. & Cerem. ----- | 205 | 348 50    |         |
| Manual, York -----             | 262 | 720 50    |         |
| Manual -----                   | 12  | 12 00     |         |
| I.M. Ceremony -----            | 5   | 1 50      |         |
| G. L. Ceremony -----           | 7   | 2 45      |         |
| By-Laws -----                  | 900 | 45 00     |         |
|                                |     | \$1709 95 | 1709 95 |

## Certificates:

|                         |      |         |         |
|-------------------------|------|---------|---------|
| M.M. Certificates ----- | 1998 | 899 10  |         |
| P.M. Certificates ----- | 550  | 22 00   |         |
| L.M. Certificates ----- | 47   | 2 82    |         |
| Charters -----          | 104  | 312 00  |         |
|                         |      | 1235 92 | 1235 92 |

## Office Furniture:

|                               |  |          |  |
|-------------------------------|--|----------|--|
| Furniture -----               |  | 133 55   |  |
| Cabinet and Records -----     |  | 310 20   |  |
| Plate M.M. Certificates ----- |  | 220 00   |  |
| Numbering Machine -----       |  | 6 00     |  |
| Transfer Cases -----          |  | 23 20    |  |
| Carried forward -----         |  | \$692 85 |  |

|                                                |          |               |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|---------------|
| Brought forward -----                          | \$692 85 |               |
| Typewriter -----                               | 120 00   |               |
| Mimeograph -----                               | 52 50    |               |
| Seal Press -----                               | 17 00    |               |
| Letter Press -----                             | 7 00     |               |
| Trunk -----                                    | 21 50    |               |
| Postage Stamps -----                           | 5 30     |               |
| Sundry Stationery -----                        | 43 60    |               |
| Loose Leaf Binders -----                       | 27 00    |               |
|                                                | <hr/>    | 986 75        |
| Regalia:                                       |          |               |
| G.L. Regalia, \$726.99 less 5% depreciation -- | \$690 64 |               |
| G.L. Regalia, 2 G. Stewards -----              | 53 30    |               |
| G.L. Regalia, Grand Master -----               | 176 00   |               |
|                                                | <hr/>    | 919 94        |
|                                                |          | <hr/> 5679 59 |

G. MACDONALD,  
Grand Secretary.

Certified Correct:  
S. J. BLAIR,  
F. R. JELFS,  
Auditors.

#### LOSS AND GAIN—January 31st, 1915.

|                                                                                            |             |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Total Disbursements -----                                                                  | \$12,709.59 |            |
| Less Cheques outstanding -----                                                             | 124.20      |            |
|                                                                                            | <hr/>       | \$12585 39 |
| Total Receipts -----                                                                       |             | 11538 22   |
|                                                                                            |             | <hr/>      |
| Net Loss (apparent) -----                                                                  |             | 1047 17    |
|                                                                                            |             | <hr/>      |
| (Disbursements include \$4000 invested in mortgages and \$1000 transferred to A.M.H. & S.) |             |            |
| Cash Balance, January 31st, 1914 -----                                                     | \$8745 66   |            |
| Cash, Net Loss, January 31st, 1915 -----                                                   | 1047 17     |            |
|                                                                                            | <hr/>       |            |
| Total Cash, January 31st, 1915 -----                                                       | \$7698 49   |            |
|                                                                                            | <hr/>       | \$7698 49  |
| Above apportioned as follows:                                                              |             |            |
| General Fund—Cash on hand -----                                                            | \$ 566 65   |            |
| General Fund—Bank balance -----                                                            | 6027 70     |            |
| A.M.H. & S.—Bank Balance -----                                                             | 1104 14     | 7698 49    |
|                                                                                            | <hr/>       |            |

## BALANCE SHEET—January 31st, 1915.

| Assets.                                 |            |                  |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Books and Stationery -----              | \$ 826 93  |                  |
| Constitutions, etc. -----               | 1709 95    |                  |
| Certificates -----                      | 1235 92    |                  |
| Office Furniture -----                  | 986 85     |                  |
| Regalia -----                           | 919 94     |                  |
| Ledger accounts debit -----             | 3511 39    |                  |
| Cash on hand -----                      | 566 65     |                  |
| Current account, cash bank -----        | 6027 70    |                  |
| A.M.H. & S. account, cash bank -----    | 1104 14    |                  |
| Investment account, mortgages -----     | 7600 00    |                  |
|                                         |            | <hr/> \$24489 47 |
| Liabilities.                            |            |                  |
| Ledger accounts, credit -----           | \$ 32 50   |                  |
| Cheques outstanding -----               | 124 20     | 156 70           |
|                                         |            | <hr/>            |
| Present Worth -----                     |            | \$24332 77       |
| Present Worth, January 31st, 1915 ----- | \$24332 77 |                  |
| Present Worth, January 31st, 1914 ----- | 20034 96   |                  |
|                                         |            | <hr/>            |
| Increase during year -----              | \$4297 81  |                  |

G. MACDONALD,

Grand Secretary.

Certified Correct:

S. J. BLAIR,

F. R. JELFS,

Auditors.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. J. T. Macdonald (9), seconded by M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), "That the report of the Grand Secretary be received and referred to the Committee on Grand Secretary's Report and the financial portion thereof be referred to the Finance Committee."

## REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN.

To the M.W. Grand Master and Members of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

I submit hereunder the report of your Librarian for the year, during which period the following donations have been received and added to Grand Lodge Library:—

## CLOTH BOUND PROCEEDINGS

|             |    |                   |
|-------------|----|-------------------|
| Grand Lodge | of | Arkansas.         |
| "           | "  | " Connecticut.    |
| "           | "  | " Colorado.       |
| "           | "  | " Delaware.       |
| "           | "  | " Georgia.        |
| "           | "  | " Illinois.       |
| "           | "  | " Iowa.           |
| "           | "  | " Kentucky.       |
| "           | "  | " Nebraska.       |
| "           | "  | " North Carolina. |
| "           | "  | " New York.       |
| "           | "  | " New Zealand.    |
| "           | "  | " Ohio.           |
| "           | "  | " Oklahoma.       |
| "           | "  | " Oregon.         |
| "           | "  | " Texas.          |
| "           | "  | " Tennessee.      |
| "           | "  | " Virginia.       |
| "           | "  | " Victoria.       |

## COPIES OF PROCEEDINGS OF ALL RECOGNIZED GRAND LODGES

Proceedings of the Council of Deliberation of the State of  
New York, 33 Degree.

## ALSO THE FOLLOWING MISCELLANEOUS PUBLICATIONS

Constitution of New Brunswick.  
Constitution of Missouri.  
Constitution of Oklahoma.  
Masonic Code of Ohio.  
Washington Masonic Code.  
Proceedings 1914 Conference of Grand Masters.  
Masonic Law of New Mexico.  
Roster of Membership California Lodges.

Our grateful thanks are extended to the several donors of above valuable Masonic Literature.

Fraternally submitted,

G. MACDONALD,  
Grand Secretary.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. I. T. Macdonald (9), seconded by M.W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), "That the report of the Grand Librarian be received and referred to the Committee on Grand Lodge Library."

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The M.W. Grand Master informed Grand Lodge that the election of Officers would take place at 9 o'clock a.m. of 27th May, 1915.

The Brethren of the Red Deer Lodges presented to members a general invitation to be present at a ball to be given for their entertainment this evening.

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES WELCOMED

The Representatives of Sister Lodges as reported present were duly received and welcomed by the M.W. Grand Master, and Fraternal Greetings exchanged.

## CALLED FROM LABOR.

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 12 30 o'clock p.m.

## **First Day    ::    Afternoon Session**

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### **LABOR RESUMED.**

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2 o'clock p.m.

### **PRESENT.**

M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson, G.M., Grand Officers and Grand Representatives.

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### **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.**

Red Deer, May 26th, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master and Brethren of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

The Board of General Purposes reports that it met on May 28th, 1914, at Banff, at which meeting the appointment of members to the several sub-committees was made for the ensuing year.

The Board met at Calgary on July 29th, 1914, to arrange for relief of sufferers from Hillcrest mining disaster. The result of their work will appear in report from Committee on Benevolence.

The Board again met at Red Deer on May 25th, 1915, when the several matters requiring attention were distributed to the various Committees concerned with the same.

These several matters will appear in the reports as presented by the Sub-Committees and which have been adopted by the Board.

This Board recommends to Grand Lodge that the Grand Master appoint a Committee for the purpose of making investigations and recommending such changes in those portions of the

work of Grand Lodge now performed largely by the Board of General Purposes and its Committees, so that a greater proportion of the individual members of Grand Lodge may take a larger share in that work than is at present done.

Fraternally submitted,

S. Y. TAYLOR, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), seconded by M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Hogbin (1), "That the Report of the Board of General Purposes as read be adopted.

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

Red Deer, May 26, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Jurisprudence has carefully considered the matters presented to it and beg to make the following Report thereon:

1. Documents from Beaver Lodge, No. 56, relating to charges and trial of Bro. Thomas Mitchell, requesting Grand Lodge to expel.

Your Committee has no wish to suggest that Grand Lodge should interfere with the action of Beaver Lodge in indefinitely suspending Bro. Mitchell, but requires further admissible evidence before recommending Grand Lodge to take further action in the matter.

2. Documents from Edmonton Lodge, No. 7, relating to charges and trial of Wor. Bro. John W. Lewis, requesting Grand Lodge to expel.

Your Committee have carefully investigated the voluminous evidence submitted in this case and recommend that sentence of expulsion be promulgated by this Grand Lodge on Wor. Bro. John W. Lewis.



3. Correspondence between the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan and our own Grand Master and Grand Secretary, in which the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan desired some reciprocal arrangements for the waiving of jurisdiction in the case of Masonic material residing nearer Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan than to Lodges in our jurisdiction.

In considering this question, your Committee recognize that two principles are involved:

- (a) The jurisdiction of Subordinate Lodges.
- (b) The jurisdiction of Grand Lodge.

A subordinate Lodge cannot abrogate the jurisdiction of Grand Lodge, and Grand Lodge should be careful to preserve the rights of subordinate Lodges. The subordinate Lodges within our Grand Lodge jurisdiction have the inherent right to waive jurisdiction as between themselves; they have no right of waiving the jurisdiction of Grand Lodge by transferring jurisdiction over Masonic material to another Grand Lodge. We, therefore, recommend that no general action be taken in the direction suggested by the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan, but that each case be dealt with on its own individual merits along the following lines:

Should an application from the territory of our Grand Lodge be made to Alsask Lodge or any other similarly situated, the nearest subordinate Lodge in our territory must first be requested to waive its jurisdiction. That being secured, this Grand Lodge through the Grand Master, should then be petitioned to waive its superior jurisdiction. By this method the rights of both subordinate Lodges and Grand Lodge will be maintained.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

S. J. BLAIR, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), seconded by M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Hogbin (1), "That the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence be adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES  
AND APPEALS.

Red Deer, May 26, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals beg to report as follows:

In the matter of the appeal of Bro. G. A. Jamieson of Hanna Lodge, No. 78, from sentence of suspension for one year imposed by Hanna Lodge, following a finding of guilty on the charges of Bro. J. Miller, we find the proceedings informal and we recommend that the proceedings of the Hanna Lodge in the matter be set aside for informality and the case be remanded for further proceedings, and that the D.D.G.M., having supervision of this Lodge, be directed to see that further proceedings in this matter by Hanna Lodge be in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution governing the same.

Fraternally submitted,

J. KEMMIS, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be adopted."

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONDITION OF MASONRY.

Red Deer, May 26, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on the Condition of Masonry, beg to report as follows:

(a) We regret that owing to some of the Reports of the D.D.G. Masters not being received until almost the last moment, your Committee has not been able to submit as much information based on the statistics of the Jurisdiction as we would wish. We are pleased, however, to be able to report that the Condition of Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction continues to show a steady and healthy growth in membership as well as satisfying financial standing, both being highly gratifying in view of the somewhat trying conditions prevailing in the field of general business. We find the changes in membership in 1914 compared very closely with those of the preceding year which we consider splendid evidence of our stability, as well as auguring well for our future.

(b) The returns made by the Secretaries to the D.D.G.M.'s are in the main satisfactorily compiled, but there is room for improvement. Inasmuch as these returns give the statistical information for the twelve months ending Dec. 27th, there is no reason why these returns should not be in the hands of the D.D.G. Masters by February first, thereby affording ample time in which omissions or inconsistencies could be supplied or removed. We believe the reports of the D.D.G.M.'s might well be in the Grand Secretary's hands by May 1st, and if so, there would be no difficulty in carrying out the resolution adopted at the last meeting of Grand Lodge, that the reports of the various D.D.G.M.'s be printed for distribution at Grand Lodge.

(c) It is regrettable that large arrearages of dues are noticeable in a few Lodges. Had these Lodges not fairly large assets, we think this condition would be serious and even though these Lodges are financially able to carry the burden of these arrears we believe it undesirable as a permanent condition. We do not advocate the adoption of severe measures towards those of our Brethren who, through privation and suffering, are unable to pay, in such cases we think the Brethren should be placed in good standing on the books and urged to attend the Lodge as a place where their needs may be understood and a Brother's helping hand extended to them. But on the other hand, if a Brother is able to pay and has so lost interest in Masonic matters that he pays no attention to the needs of his Lodge, it would seem unfair to carry him on the books and pay Grand Lodge dues for him. It would appear that the percentage of our membership 12 months in arrears was 22%, and of these about 6 or 7% have been suspended.

(d) The Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction in 1914 expended over \$6,700 in relief. While the greater part of this sum has been given by the few older and wealthier Lodges, yet the returns

show many of the smaller Lodges have given very generous assistance compared with their apparent numbers and resources. We feel sure that every Lodge in the Jurisdiction is responding nobly as occasion arises to the demands of true Masonic charity

(e) We are pleased to report that the great majority of the Lodges are carrying insurance on their furniture and equipment. Seven Lodges report no insurance and four apparently did not make any return.

(f) Since the last meeting of Grand Lodge, Lodges of Instruction were held at Taber for District No. 2, at High River for District No. 6, and at Bassano for District No. 7. All of which were well attended and proved highly interesting and instructive. In the other districts, the chief difficulty seems to have been the attendant expense. Your Committee hopes that the great benefits to be derived from such meetings will ever be borne in mind and that Lodges of Instruction will be held regularly in all the Districts as soon as general conditions permit. Meanwhile we have pleasure in suggesting to the Worshipful Masters of Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction that every opportunity of affording instruction in the history, traditions and current events of Free Masonry be seized. The material is at hand to every Lodge in the reports of our Annual Proceedings and many an hour or half hour could be profitably spent in the study and exposition of the excellent fund of information contained therein, especially in the Reports of the Foreign Correspondence Committee.

(g) While there are several small Lodges in the Jurisdiction whose membership is under 30, we find them making such satisfactory progress that their future may be considered assured. The chief difficulty they have to meet is the removal of members to a distance. All the Lodges have been feeling the effect of this condition but the small Lodges suffer much more in proportion.

(h) The attendance at Lodge meetings shows a lower average attendance than is satisfactory. We think the statistics of attendance would be much more helpful if the membership of the Lodges were classified into resident and non-resident members. The average attendance of members should be computed on the resident members only if it is to serve as a guide to the comparative zeal and assiduity of the membership of the several Lodges.

(i) Your Committee has much pleasure in recommending the following Brethren for the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master

R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, District No. 1.  
R.W. Bro. Geo. Murray, District No. 2.  
R.W. Bro. T. M. Turnbull, District No. 3.  
R.W. Bro. W. F. Puffer, District No. 4.  
R.W. Bro. John Wilson, District No. 5.  
R.W. Bro. R. A. Hopkins, District No. 6.  
R.W. Bro. R. H. Struthers, District No. 7.  
R.W. Bro. A. R. Dempster, District No. 8.  
R.W. Bro. S. H. Riggs, District No. 9.  
R.W. Bro. W. J. Seed, District No. 10.  
R.W. Bro. J. T. Graham, District No. 11.

Fraternally submitted,

F. S. SELWOOD, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (83), seconded by R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart (35), "That the report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted."

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Red Deer, May 26, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers, and Brethren of  
the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence, to whom was referred the communications relative to the recognition of the National, Independent and Regular Grand Lodge of France and of the French Colonies; and also of M.W. York Grand Lodge of Mexico, successors of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Valle de Mexico, beg leave to report as follows,

Freemasonry heretofore has been represented in France by the Grand Orient of France and the Grand Lodge of France, each claiming exclusive jurisdiction in this vast country. Both have departed many years ago from the ancient traditions of the Order

and have not been recognized by any Grand Lodge in the British Empire.

The Grand Orient of France, the larger of the two bodies, is frankly atheistic and is closely identified with politics.

The Grand Lodge of France has abandoned the use of the V.O.T.S.L. in the Lodges under its obedience, except in one Lodge which insisted on its use. The Grand Lodge of France has, moreover, struck out of its By-laws the obligation of belief in the Great Architect of the Universe.

There are mixed bodies of men and women under its obedience and political discussions often form the basis of the work in all its Lodges.

Two Lodges, one meeting in Paris and the other in Bordeaux, united in forming the National Grand Lodge of France and desire to re-enter the circle of Ancient Universal Masonry.

Early last year certain English Freemasons resident in Paris, members of English Lodges, made application for permission to form a Third Lodge under the obedience of the National Grand Lodge. The charter was granted and St. George's Lodge was duly consecrated in June, 1914, the first master being the Junior Grand Warden of the National Grand Lodge and a Past Master of two English Lodges. There are therefore three Subordinate Lodges in this Jurisdiction at the present time. The official ritual of this Grand Lodge is the Scottish Rite, but permission is given for the Lodges to which warrants are granted, to work in any ritual sanctioned by Grand Lodges recognized as being regular by the Grand Lodge National. This Grand Lodge has been officially recognized by the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland. The obligations of the Order are as follows:—

1. The Lodge is opened and closed to the Glory of the Great Architect of the Universe.
2. The Volume of the Sacred Law lies open on the pedestal of the W.M.
3. No political or religious discussion is permitted in Lodge.
4. Only the three degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason are recognized.

This new body claims our recognition as the only regular Masonic Grand Body in France and we recommend that their request be granted.

The matter of granting recognition to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico was laid over at the last Annual Communication and referred to this Committee for further report.

We find that previous to 1910 the Grand Lodge of Mexico was composed of both American and Mexican Lodges. In that year the Mexican Lodges rebelled against the Grand Lodge and seceded owing to dissatisfaction with the election of Grand Master at the Annual Session. The Grand Master, Bro. Reynoso, then arrested the charters of these Mexican Lodges and they formed themselves into a Grand Lodge taking the name of "Valle de Mexico". They were assisted in this by the Supreme Council, A. & A.S.R., of Mexico, and acknowledge the supremacy of that body. They work entirely in the Scottish Rite, while the York Grand Lodge works in the York Rite.

The York Grand Lodge has been recognized by more than half the American Grand Lodges, and by thirteen foreign Grand Lodges.

Your Committee notes, however, that owing to the general unsettled condition of affairs in the Republic of Mexico, a majority of the Subordinate Lodges are at recess, and that the proceedings of some of the Jurisdictions which have recognized this Grand Lodge report that the York Grand Lodge of Mexico is memorializing these Grand Lodges asking their advice as to the recognition on their part of the seceding Grand Lodge working in the Spanish language and under the Scottish Rite.

This would indicate that they themselves have not arrived at a definite understanding of their position and until such time as this matter is settled, your Committee would recommend that action be indefinitely postponed.

Fraternally submitted,

S. Y. TAYLOR, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), seconded by M.W. Bro. E. A. Braithwaite (7), "That the report of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence be adopted."

## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Red Deer, May 25, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

We present herewith the usual financial statements. The surplus for the past year amounts to \$4,297.81, a most satisfactory showing under existing financial conditions, and the present worth of the Grand Lodge is now \$24,332.77, of which \$15,298.49 is in cash and mortgages. Our mortgage investments are in first class shape, no interest being in arrears.

A careful audit has been made of the books and accounts of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer and all accounts paid during the past year have been inspected and approved by your Committee.

We recommend that \$500 be transferred to the Masonic Home and School Fund.

Fraternally submitted,

W. M. CONNACHER, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), "That the report of the Committee on Finance be adopted."

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE.

Red Deer, May 26th, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Benevolence beg to report that they have had a considerable number of applications for charity during the



past year, all of which have been carefully investigated and dealt with.

The most serious matter with which we have had to deal was the Hillcrest mining disaster, the particulars of which are still fresh in our minds. This disaster placed upon us the obligation of assisting in the maintenance of nine widows, twenty-five orphans and one aged mother. A special meeting of the Committee of General Purposes was called to deal with this matter and a donation of \$150 per month was authorized. Owing, however, to generous donations from the Dominion and Provincial Governments and from other sources, up to the present, only one payment has been required. As there will doubtless be further payments necessary for this purpose, we recommend that the appropriation be continued until the next session of Grand Lodge and placed in a special account monthly, and invested if not immediately required.

We ask for \$150 to pay accrued interest and taxes on the property of a widow of a deceased Brother in order to save her property from mortgage foreclosure.

It has been very gratifying to note the liberal manner in which the Brethren have contributed for benevolent purposes during the past year, \$5,144 being contributed to Grand Lodge Benevolences.

Fraternally submitted,

J. T. MACDONALD, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the Report of the Committee on Benevolence be received and adopted."

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#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS OF NEW LODGES.

Red Deer, Alta., May 25, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of  
the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.  
M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

We have examined the books of Lodges under dispensation and recommend that Charters be granted to the following Lodges:

Crescent, located at Calgary, First Masonic District.

Champion Lodge, located at Champion, Eleventh Masonic District.

Suffield, located at Suffield, Second Masonic District, when an application for Charter in proper form is presented.

Rocky Mountain, located at Blairmore, Eighth Masonic District, when dispensation is returned and application for Charter in proper form is presented. ext

Fraternally submitted,

E. T. BISHOP, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. E. T. Bishop (14), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), "That the report of the Committee on Charters and New Lodges be received and adopted."

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD.

Red Deer, May 26, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of  
the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A. F. & A. M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Fraternal Dead beg to report as follows:

During the past year our jurisdiction has suffered from death more than usual, the great mine disaster at Hillcrest on June 19th, 1914, alone resulted in the death of twelve Brethren of Sentinel Lodge, No. 26; while the other Lodges of the Jurisdiction were called upon to mourn the loss of thirty of their Brethren.

In Sister Jurisdictions death has claimed many Masons, numbered among whom we find many distinguished Brethren. M.W. Bro. Long, the M.W.G.M. of Florida, twenty-three P.G.M.'s, and thirteen other Grand Lodge Officers of the several Jurisdictions of the Great Republic to the South. In our own Dominion we have reports of but two, M.W. Bro. Leslie, P.G.M. of Manitoba, and M.W. Bro. Israel Wood Powell, P.G.M. of British Columbia.

Your Committee would recommend that memorial pages be inserted in the report of our proceedings as a remembrance of these honored dead.

Your Committee is, as yet, unable to report on the names of the gallant Brethren who have laid down their lives for the Empire in the stupendous struggle now going on between the nations; but we respectfully recommend that a Special Memorial page be devoted to these noble Members of our Order without special mention of names which are not yet obtainable, that page to include the following stanza:

"How sleep the brave who sink to rest  
By all their country's wishes blest.  
When Spring, with dewy fingers cold,  
Returns to deck their hallow'd mould,  
She there shall dress a sweeter sod  
Than Fancy's feet have ever trod.  
By fairy hands their knell is rung,  
By forms unseen their dirge is sung:  
Then Honour comes, a pilgrim grey,  
To bless the turf that wraps their clay;  
And freedom shall a while repair,  
To dwell a weeping hermit there."

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. BOTTERILL, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), seconded by R.W. Bro. N. J. Carruthers (10), "That the report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead be received and adopted."

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

To the Officers and Members of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

 Your Committee to whom the Address of the Grand Master was referred for consideration, begs to report as follows:

We are pleased to note at this our Tenth Annual Communication the continued growth of our Grand Lodge in material welfare, as well we hope the growth in other directions as evidenced by the details given by the Most Worshipful Grand Master. At a time such as the present, when all institutions and organizations are being tested, it is gratifying to find that the steady development of the Masonic Fraternity in our midst has been well maintained.

The increase in the number of Lodges under this Jurisdiction naturally entails more work and supervision by the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers, and we congratulate Most Worshipful Brother Jackson on having been able to officially visit as many of the Lodges and Lodges of Instruction as his report shows.

We beg to again draw the attention of Subordinate Lodges to the simple arrangements now in existence by which they may become incorporated. The matter has been brought to their attention regularly for several years past and while some have availed themselves of the opportunity, we think that all Subordinate Lodges should take steps at once in this direction.

We are pleased to note that this Grand Lodge was represented at the Peace Celebration at Niagara Falls by our Grand Master.

With reference to the appointment of Chartered Accountants as auditors, introduced by the Grand Master, your Committee is of the opinion that at the present time the benefit derived would not be commensurate with the expenditure involved.

We cannot close this report without a reference to the war, which is occupying our minds and so much of our attention. Many of our Brethren have gone, or are prepared to go, to the front. We are proud that our Grand Secretary, our First Grand Master, is among the number who have volunteered. Many of those who have gone, have already laid down their lives. We may, and probably will, be called upon to mourn the loss of many more of our Brethren. Our grief will be tempered and softened by the realization that their sacrifice is made for the sake of the high ideal of civilization for which the fraternity has always stood. In some Lodges a Roll of Honor is displayed in the Lodge Room containing the names of all the Brethren of the Lodge who have enlisted. We recommend that the Grand Secretary secure from the Subordinate Lodges the names of all their members who have

done so to date, and that those names be printed, with notes, in the proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. HOGBIN, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Hogbin (1), seconded by M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), "That the report of Committee on the Grand Master's Address be adopted."

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#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND LODGE LIBRARY.

Red Deer, May 26, 1915.

To the M. Wor. the Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Alberta:

Your Committee on Report of Grand Librarian beg leave to report that they have received the report of the Grand Librarian.

In reviewing the same, note with appreciation the value of the Masonic Works and Reports contributed by Sister Grand Lodges, making welcome additions to our already valuable collection. The value of these cannot be estimated for the future benefit of the Craft.

We wish to draw the attention of this Grand Body to the advisability of procuring some location or office where these books would be more accessible to visiting members than at present.

Our Grand Secretary has already acknowledged receipt of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. RANKIN, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin (1), seconded by W. Bro. H. J. Robie (9), "That the Report of the Committee on Grand Lodge Library be received and adopted."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND SECRETARY'S  
REPORT.

Red Deer, May 25, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report are glad to note that steady progress of the Craft has been kept up throughout a year of exceptional trial and difficulty.

A net increase of membership of 633 shows that the institution is in active force. It is especially interesting to note the formation of new Lodges at Grouard and Peace River Landing as marking the continual spread of Masonry throughout the Jurisdiction.

From an examination of the Financial Report, the affairs of our Institution seem to be in a very satisfactory state.

We recommend that a sufficient number of copies of the Proceedings of this Annual Communication be printed for the need of the Grand Secretary and Lodges.

Fraternally submitted,

J. KEMMIS, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), seconded by R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), "That the report of the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report be adopted."

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REPORT OF AUDITORS.

Calgary, Alta., May 16th, 1915.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master,  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Most Worshipful Sir:—

We beg to report that we have audited the books of this Grand Lodge and find them carefully and correctly kept. We have

checked the receipts and expenditures and have certified the attached statement of the Grand Secretary as being correct.

We find the present card system, so far as relates to the Ledger and Cash Book, is much too cumbersome, and recommend that properly ruled books be procured for that portion of the work.

It is quite apparent that the amount deducted annually for depreciation is insufficient. We recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to strike off an amount equal to 10 per cent. of the initial cost of all Regalia, Furniture, Typewriter, Numbering Machine, Mimeograph and Trunks.

Fraternally submitted,

S. J. BLAIR,

F. R. JELFS.

Auditors.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), seconded by W. Bro. F. R. Jelfs (1), "That the Report of the Auditors be received and adopted."

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BURIAL SERVICE.

The report presented by above Committee was presented and its further work endorsed by following resolution:—

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. Connacher (9), seconded by M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), "That the Committee on Burial Service be continued, with power to add to its numbers."

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#### MOTIONS

In accord with notice of motion duly given, it was moved by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue (83), "That Section 271 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word 'seven' in the first line thereof and inserting the word 'fifteen' in lieu thereof." Motion lost.

In accord with notice of motion duly given, it was moved by W. Bro. M. A. Murphy (47), seconded by Bro. A. J. Davis (23), "That the Constitution of Grand Lodge of Alberta be amended by the following addition: 'That all Subordinate Lodges under this Jurisdiction shall submit a statement of all ledger balances to Grand Secretary with each semi-annual report.'" Motion lost.

In accordance with notice of motion duly given, it was moved by M.W. Bro. G. Macdonald (1), seconded by M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), "That Section 184 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the words 'and secretary' in the first line thereof and inserting the words 'secretary and chaplain' in lieu thereof." Carried.

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R.W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That this Grand Lodge establish a Patriotic Fund for Masonic dependents. That the M.W. Grand Master appoint a special committee to control this fund and make the necessary arrangements to secure subscriptions from Lodges and brethren, also that this Grand Lodge donate the sum of \$1,000 to this Fund."

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Hogbin (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), "That the Grand Secretary be instructed to secure forms of resolutions to be sent to the various Lodges with instructions as to procedure relating to the incorporation of Lodges."

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Hogbin (1), seconded by R. W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), "That a committee be appointed to revise the present Ceremonials of Grand Lodge—other than the Burial Service—and present a report at next Annual Communication."

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#### NOTICE OF MOTION

W. Bro. G. M. Carson (74) and R.W. Bro. G. W. Seed (31), gave notice that at next Annual Communication they would move, "That the Constitution of Grand Lodge be amended so as to cover and provide for the travelling expenses of one delegate from each Lodge."

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#### CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 6 o'clock p.m. until 9 o'clock a.m. Thursday.



## **Second Day                    ::                    Morning Session**

### **LABOR RESUMED**

The Grand Lodge resumed Labor on Thursday, May 27th, at 9 o'clock a.m.

### **PLACE OF MEETING**

It was moved by W. Bro. C. A. Dallas (71), seconded by W. Bro. W. F. W. Lent (28), "That the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge be held at Athabasca." Motion lost.

It was resolved on motion of W. Bro. T. A. Dunsmore (5), seconded by Bro. G. F. Butler (53), "That the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge be held at Banff."

### **MOTIONS**

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), seconded by M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Hogbin (1), "That this Grand Lodge present to the Red Cross Society a Motor Field Ambulance at a cost not to exceed \$1,500."

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), "That this Grand Lodge extend its heartiest thanks to the Lodges of Red Deer and also to the ladies and citizens for their kindness in making their stay in the city of Red Deer so thoroughly enjoyable."

Resolved, on motion of R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), seconded by R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), "That Grand Lodge donate \$250 to the Children's Shelter at Calgary."

### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.**

Red Deer, May 27th, 1915.

To the M.W. Grand Master and Members of the  
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M.W. Sir and Brethren:—

Your Committee on Credentials and Reception beg to report the various Lodges named in the attached schedule entitled to the

representation in Grand Lodge therein enumerated opposite their respective numbers and names.

They beg further to report that no returns have been submitted to them stating the names of the officers duly elected and the duly qualified Past Masters in the cases of 19 Lodges.

In these 19 cases resort was had to the semi-annual returns which established the representations of all these Lodges except in case of Palestine Lodge, No. 46, and Coronation Lodge, No. 72, In this last case the last returns to Grand Lodge are irregular in not being signed by the W.M. and Secretary, but by the Secretary only.

| No | Name of Lodge | W.M. | S.W. | J.W. | P.M. | Proxy | Total<br>Vote |
|----|---------------|------|------|------|------|-------|---------------|
| 1  | Bow River     | 2    | 1    |      | 8    |       | 11            |
| 2  | Medicine Hat  |      |      |      | 2    | 3     | 5             |
| 3  | Alberta       |      |      |      | 3    | 3     | 6             |
| 4  | North Star    | 3    |      |      | 2    |       | 5             |
| 5  | Cascade       | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 6  | Spitzie       | 3    |      |      | 2    |       | 5             |
| 7  | Edmonton      |      |      | 3    | 2    |       | 5             |
| 8  | Innisfail     | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 9  | Perfection    |      | 3    |      | 7    |       | 10            |
| 10 | Eureka        | 1    | 1    | 1    | 2    |       | 5             |
| 11 | Acacia        | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 12 | Red Deer      | 2    | 1    |      | 8    |       | 11            |
| 13 | Victoria      | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 14 | Jasper        | 3    |      |      | 2    |       | 5             |
| 15 | Wetaskiwin    |      |      |      | 2    | 3     | 5             |
| 16 | Mountain View |      |      |      | 2    | 3     | 5             |
| 17 | Nanton        |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 18 | Britannia     |      |      | 3    | 2    |       | 5             |
| 19 | Cornerstone   | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 20 | Carstairs     | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 21 | King Hiram    |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 22 | Corinthian    | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 23 | Calgary       |      | 2    | 1    | 5    |       | 8             |
| 24 | Vermilion     |      |      |      | 1    | 3     | 4             |
| 25 | St. John      |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 26 | Sentinel      | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 27 | Apollo        | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 28 | Ashlar        | 1    | 1    | 1    | 7    |       | 10            |
| 29 | Kenilworth    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 5    |       | 8             |
| 30 | Summit        |      |      | 3    | 1    |       | 4             |
| 31 | Doric         |      |      |      | 1    | 3     | 4             |

| No. | Name of Lodge    | W.M. | S.W. | J.W. | P.M. | Proxy | Total<br>Vote |
|-----|------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|---------------|
| 32  | Cairo            |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 33  | Stavely          |      |      |      | 1    | 3     | 4             |
| 34  | Star of the West |      | 3    |      | 3    |       | 6             |
| 35  | Mizpah           | 2    | 1    |      | 2    |       | 5             |
| 36  | Gleichen         |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 37  | Camrose          | 3    |      |      | 2    |       | 5             |
| 38  | Hope             |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 39  | Lethbridge       | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 40  | Joppa            | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 41  | King Solomon     |      | 3    |      |      |       | 3             |
| 42  | Bowden           |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 43  | Tuscan           | 1    | 1    | 1    |      |       | 3             |
| 44  | Buffalo Park     |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 45  | Ionic            | 2    |      | 1    | 3    |       | 6             |
| 46  | Palestine        |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 47  | Chinook          |      |      |      | 1    | 3     | 4             |
| 48  | Crossfield       | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 49  | Robert Burns     | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 50  | Comet            | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 51  | Unity            | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 52  | Langdon          |      | 3    |      |      |       | 3             |
| 53  | Strathmore       |      | 3    |      |      |       | 3             |
| 54  | Mt. Lebanon      | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 55  | Bassano          |      |      |      | 1    | 3     | 4             |
| 56  | Beaver           | 2    |      | 1    | 1    |       | 4             |
| 57  | Grassy Lake      |      |      |      |      | 3     | 3             |
| 58  | Chief Mountain   |      |      |      |      | 3     | 3             |
| 59  | King George      | 2    | 1    |      | 2    |       | 5             |
| 60  | Acme             | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 61  | Provost          |      |      |      | 2    | 3     | 5             |
| 62  | Coal             |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 63  | Empire           | 3    |      |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 64  | Bow Island       |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 65  | Diamond City     |      |      |      |      | 3     | 3             |
| 66  | St. Andrew       |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 67  | Charity          |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 68  | Edson            | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 69  | Connaught        | 2    |      | 1    |      |       | 3             |
| 70  | Quarry           |      |      |      | 1    | 3     | 4             |
| 71  | Tawatinaw        |      |      |      | 1    | 3     | 4             |
| 72  | Coronation       | 2    |      |      | 1    | 1     | 4             |
| 73  | Brooks           |      |      | 3    | 2    |       | 5             |
| 74  | Vulcan           | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
| 75  | Harmony          | 2    | 1    |      | 1    |       | 4             |
| 76  | Fidelity         |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 77  | Strathcona       | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |

| No. | Name of Lodge      | W.M. | S.W. | J.W. | P.M. | Proxy | Total<br>Vote |
|-----|--------------------|------|------|------|------|-------|---------------|
| 78  | Hanna -----        |      |      |      | 1    |       | 1             |
| 79  | Morning Star ----- | 1    | 1    | 1    |      |       | 3             |
| 80  | Excelsior -----    | 2    | 1    |      |      |       | 3             |
| 81  | Commercial -----   | 2    | 1    |      |      |       | 3             |
| 82  | Acadia -----       |      |      |      |      |       | 0             |
| 83  | Zetland -----      | 2    | 1    |      | 4    |       | 7             |
|     | Champion -----     | 1    | 1    | 1    |      |       | 3             |
|     | Suffield -----     | 3    |      |      |      |       | 3             |
|     | Rocky Mountain ..  |      |      |      |      | 3     | 3             |
|     | Crescent -----     |      | 3    |      |      |       | 3             |
|     |                    |      |      |      |      |       | 316           |

Number of Lodges represented ----- 72

Number of Lodges unrepresented ----- 15

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. SEED, Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Hogbin (1), seconded by R.W. Bro. W. J. Seed (24), "That the report of the Committee on Credentials and Reception be received and adopted."

### ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

The time having arrived for the election of Grand Lodge Officers the M.W. Grand Master appointed a board of scrutineers under M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Hogbin (1), as Chairman.

The election of Grand Lodge Officers was then proceeded with and resulted as follows:—

R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), Deputy Grand Master.

R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), Senior Grand Warden.

R.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), Junior Grand Warden.

M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), Grand Treasurer.

M.W. Bro. Dr. G. Macdonald (1), Grand Secretary (re-elected)

R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), Grand Registrar.

W. Bro. Rev. Dr. G. W. Kerby (83), Grand Chaplain.

And by open vote of Grand Lodge, R.W. Bro. R. C. Bruce (54), re-elected Grand Tyler.

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

The following Brethren were elected by the Representatives and Past Masters of Lodges as District Deputy Grand Masters and the elections were subsequently confirmed by the Grand Master:—

- R.W. Bro. H. S. Waterbury (23), First Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. Dr. G. W. Leech (31), Second Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. C. P. Ruddy (34), Third Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz (12), Fourth Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. A. M. McKee (75), Fifth Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. H. H. Gould (19), Sixth Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. Dr. C. E. Anderson (73), Seventh Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. W. L. Ouimette (30), Eighth Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. J. W. McBrine (56), Ninth Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. W. McAthey (69), Tenth Masonic District.
- R.W. Bro. B. B. Hoyt (4), Eleventh Masonic District.

## CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment at 12.30 o'clock p.m., to be resumed at 2 o'clock p.m.

## **Second Day                    ::                    Afternoon Service**

### **LABOR RESUMED**

The Grand Lodge resumed Labor at 2 o'clock p.m.

### **PRESENT**

M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson, Grand Master, Grand Officers, Representatives, and Members.

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R.W. Bro. Dr. N. J. Lindsay, Grand Treasurer for several years, having felt the necessity of dropping activity in office, and who had presented his wish to withdraw, was the subject of many appreciative remarks, and in token of his long attachment to the fraternity and his steady work in the furtherance of Masonry and Masonic principles, was by Grand Lodge unanimously made an Honorary Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M. M.W. Bro. Lindsay was a Past D.D.G.M. of Grand Lodge of Canada, the first Master of Bow River Lodge, No. 28, under G. L. Manitoba and now No. 1 under Alberta, and was a Past Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba. May he long enjoy his new honours.

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### **BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES**

The following Brethren were elected members of the Board of General Purposes for the term of two years:—

R.W. Bro. W. G. Lowry (34), Leduc.  
R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott (2), Medicine Hat.  
R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37), Camrose  
R.W. Bro. T. M. Turnbull (7), Edmonton.

These replacing the following Brethren, whose term of office has expired.—

R.W. Bro. T. F. English (23), Calgary.  
W. Bro. H. Darling (7), Edmonton.  
R.W. Bro. Dr. C. E. Smyth (2), Medicine Hat.  
R.W. Bro. T. Sharpe (23), Calgary,

and

R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue (83), to fill the unexpired term of one year of R.W. Bro. J. H. Kemmis (6), who takes place on Board as Grand Registrar.

## APPOINTED OFFICERS

R.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), Grand Master-elect, notified the Grand Secretary of the following appointments:—

W. Bro. E. A. Bell (35), Senior Grand Deacon.  
 W. Bro. C. C. Raven (68), Junior Grand Deacon.  
 R.W. Bro. J. H. Binns (73), Grand Organist.  
 W. Bro. F. R. Jelfs (1), Grand Director of Ceremonies.  
 W. Bro. J. A. Simpson (8), Grand Steward.  
 W. Bro. J. Brindle (45), Grand Steward.  
 W. Bro. N. A. Kilburn (61), Grand Steward.  
 W. Bro. S. G. Tobin (34), Grand Steward.  
 W. Bro. Geo. Richards (40), Grand Steward.  
 W. Bro. G. M. Carson (74), Grand Steward.  
 W. Bro. Dr. J. J. Gillespie (6), Grand Pursuivant.

## INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

The newly elected officers present were then duly installed and appointed officers invested by M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson, retiring Grand Master.

Short, appropriate, and instructive addresses were then delivered to the Brethren by the newly elected officers.

## PRESENTATION

The newly installed Grand Master, M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor, in a few feeling words performed his first official act by presenting the retiring Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson, with a set of Past Grand Master regalia, on behalf of Grand Lodge and as a token of their appreciation of his labors during the past year, to which M.W. Bro. Jackson briefly replied.

## GRAND LODGE CLOSED

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, the Tenth Annual Communication was closed in AMPLE FORM at 4 o'clock p.m., with prayer by the Grand Chaplain, and concluded by singing the National Anthem, "God Save the King."



*E. Macdonald*

Grand Secretary

## GRAND LODGE OFFICERS, 1915.

|                                                  |                          |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), Calgary             | Grand Master             |
| R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), Edmonton            | Deputy Grand Master      |
| R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), Calgary           | Senior Grand Warden      |
| R.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), Red Deer         | Junior Grand Warden      |
| R.W. Bro. H. S. Waterbury (23) Calgary           | D.D.G.M. No. 1 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. Dr. G. W. Leech (31), Taber            | D.D.G.M. No. 2 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. C. P. Ruddy (34), Leduc                | D.D.G.M. No. 3 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz (12), Red Deer             | D.D.G.M. No. 4 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. A. M. McKee (75), Sedgewick            | D.D.G.M. No. 5 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. H. H. Gould (19), High River           | D.D.G.M. No. 6 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. Dr. C. E. Anderson (73), Brooks        | D.D.G.M. No. 7 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. W. W. Ouimette (30), Coleman           | D.D.G.M. No. 8 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. J. W. McBrine (56), Castor             | D.D.G.M. No. 9 Dist.     |
| R.W. Bro. W. McAthey (69), Viking                | D.D.G.M. No. 10 Dist.    |
| R.W. Bro. B. B. Hoyt (4), Lethbridge             | D.D.G.M. No. 11 Dist.    |
| M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), Calgary               | Grand Treasurer          |
| M.W. Bro. Col. G. Macdonald (1), Calgary         | Grand Secretary          |
| R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (47), Cowley        | Grand Registrar          |
| R.W. Bro. Rev. Dr. G. W. Kerby (83), Calgary     | Grand Chaplain           |
| V.W. Bro. E. A. Bell (35), Medicine Hat          | Senior Grand Deacon      |
| V.W. Bro. C. C. Raven (68), Edson                | Junior Grand Deacon      |
| R.W. Bro. J. H. Binns (73), Brooks               | Grand Organist           |
| V.W. Bro. F. R. Jelfs (1), Calgary               | Grand Dir. of Ceremonies |
| V.W. Bro. J. A. Simpson (8), Innisfail           | Grand Steward            |
| V.W. Bro. J. Brindle (45), Alix                  | Grand Steward            |
| V.W. Bro. N. A. Kilburn (61), Provost            | Grand Steward            |
| V.W. Bro. S. G. Tobin (34), Leduc                | Grand Steward            |
| V.W. Bro. Geo. Richards (40), Granum             | Grand Steward            |
| V.W. Bro. G. M. Carson (74), Vulcan              | Grand Steward            |
| V.W. Bro. Dr. J. J. Gillespie (6), Pincher Creek | Grand Pursuivant         |
| R.W. Bro. R. C. Bruce (54), Calgary              | Grand Tyler              |

## BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

## President

R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14) -----Edmonton

## Vice-President

R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9) -----Calgary

## Secretary

M.W. Bro. Col. G. Macdonald (1) -----Calgary



## By Virtue of Office

|                                                                        |            |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| M.W. Bro. S. Y. Taylor (28), Grand Master.....                         | Calgary    |
| M.W. Bro. Col. G. Macdonald (1), Past Grand Master....                 | Calgary    |
| M.W. Bro. Judge H. C. Taylor (7), Past Grand Master...                 | Edmonton   |
| M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Hogbin, D.D. (1), Past Grand<br>Master ..... | Calgary    |
| M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), Past Grand Master.....                  | Calgary    |
| M.W. Bro. Thos. McNabb (4), Past Grand Master.....                     | Lethbridge |
| M.W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), Past Grand Master.....                     | Macleod    |
| M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), Past Grand Master.....                      | Calgary    |
| M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson (18), Past Grand Master                  | Lethbridge |
| M.W. Bro. Dr. E. A. Braithwaite (7), Past Grand Master                 | Edmonton   |
| M.W. Bro. W. G. Scott, Past Grand Master.....                          | Winnipeg   |
| M.W. Bro. Dr. N. J. Lindsay (1), Past Grand Master.....                | Calgary    |
| R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), Deputy Grand Master.....                  | Edmonton   |
| R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), Senior Grand Warden....                 | Calgary    |
| R.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), Junior Grand Warden....                | Red Deer   |
| M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), Grand Treasurer .....                       | Calgary    |
| R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (47), Grand Registrar....                 | Cowley     |

## Elected by Grand Lodge

|                                       |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| R.W. Bro. A. T. Stephenson (12) ..... | Red Deer     |
| R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue (83) .....      | Calgary      |
| R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (53) .....     | Calgary      |
| R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart (2) .....  | Calgary      |
| R.W. Bro. W. G. Lowry (34) .....      | Leduc        |
| R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott (2) .....     | Medicine Hat |
| R.W. Bro. J. Watson Younge (37) ..... | Camrose      |
| R.W. Bro. T. M. Turnbull (7) .....    | Edmonton     |

## BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

## Sub-Committees.

Jurisprudence—M.W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), Chairman, and all other Past Grand Masters.

Grievance and Appeals—R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), Chairman, R.W. Bro. A. T. Stephenson (12), R.W. Bro. W. G. Lowry (34), R.W. Bro. Jesse Elliott (2), R.W. Bro. B. B. Hoyt (4), R.W. Bro. A. McKee (75).

Condition of Masonry—M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson (18), Chairman, R.W. Bro. J. Watson Young (37), R.W. Bro. T. M. Turnbull (7), R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey (53), R.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (47), R.W. Bro. A. T. Stephenson (12).

Foreign Relations and Correspondence—M.W. Bro. Ven. Archdeacon Hogbin, D.D. (1), Chairman, M.W. Bro. Col. G. Macdonald (1), R.W. Bro. W. L. Ouimette (30), R.W. Bro. G. W. Leech (31), R.W. Bro. C. P. Ruddy (34), R.W. Bro. H. H. Gould (19).

Finance—R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), Chairman, R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue (83), M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), R.W. Bro. W. L. Ouimette (30), R.W. Bro. H. S. Waterbury (23), R.W. Bro. W. McAthey (69).

Charters and New Lodges—R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop (14), Chairman, R.W. Bro. H. D. R. Stewart (2), R.W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz (12), R.W. Bro. W. G. Lowry (34), R.W. Bro. Dr. C. E. Anderson (73), R.W. Bro. J. M. McBrine (56).

Benevolence and Home and School Fund—M.W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), Chairman, R.W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), R.W. Bro. J. H. Argue (83), R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), R.W. Bro. J. Watson Young (37), M.W. Bro. Col. Geo. Macdonald (1).

Credentials and Receptions—The District Deputy Grand Masters of the eleven Masonic Districts; Chairman, R.W. Bro. G. W. Leech (31).

G. MACDONALD,

Grand Secretary.





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### REVERENTLY INSCRIBED TO THE HONOURED DEAD OF SISTER JURISDICTIONS

|                  |       |                                |       |       |          |
|------------------|-------|--------------------------------|-------|-------|----------|
| Arizona          | ----- | Rufus Wills Cobb, P.G.M.       | ----- | Nov.  | 26, 1913 |
| Arizona          | ----- | Wm. Yates Titcomb, C.C.F.C.    | ----- | Dec.  | 23, 1913 |
| Alabama          | ----- | Angus M. Scott, G. Lect.       | ----- | Feb.  | 16, 1915 |
| British Columbia | ----- | Israel Wood Powell, P.G.M.     | ----- | Feb.  | 25, 1915 |
| Colorado         | ----- | Henry Moore Teller, P.G.M.     | ----- | Feb.  | 23, 1914 |
| Colorado         | ----- | Geo. Edward Simonton, P.G.M.   | ----- | June  | 24, 1914 |
| Colorado         | ----- | Harper M. Orahood, P.G.M.      | ----- | Sept. | 15, 1914 |
| Colorado         | ----- | George G. Slater, G. Tyler     | ----- | Oct.  | 8, 1914  |
| Connecticut      | ----- | Wilbur S. Comstock, P.G.M.     | ----- | Sept. | 10, 1914 |
| Delaware         | ----- | Enoch Moore, P.G.M.            | ----- | July  | 26, 1914 |
| Delaware         | ----- | Geo. W. Marshall, P.G.M.       | ----- | April | 18, 1915 |
| Florida          | ----- | Henry W. Long, G.M.            | ----- | Jan.  | 2, 1915  |
| Idaho            | ----- | James A. Pinney, P.G.M.        | ----- | Feb.  | 4, 1914  |
| Kansas           | ----- | Fred Washbon, P.G.M.           | ----- | July  | 12, 1914 |
| Kentucky         | ----- | Henry Bostwick, P.G.M.         | ----- | Aug.  | 20, 1914 |
| Kentucky         | ----- | Warren Larue Thomas, P.G.M.    | ----- | Nov.  | 24, 1914 |
| Maine            | ----- | Millard F. Hicks, G. Treas.    | ----- | April | 3, 1914  |
| Manitoba         | ----- | John Leslie, P.G.M.            | ----- | Feb.  | 13, 1915 |
| Mississippi      | ----- | Frank Burkitt, P.G.M.          | ----- | Nov.  | 18, 1914 |
| Missouri         | ----- | Chesley A. Mosman, D.G.M.      | ----- | Jan.  | 31, 1914 |
| Nebraska         | ----- | George Bell France, P.G.M.     | ----- | Aug.  | 16, 1914 |
| Nebraska         | ----- | Harry Porter Deuel, P.G.M.     | ----- | Nov.  | 23, 1914 |
| Nebraska         | ----- | Martin Dunham, P.G.M.          | ----- | Feb.  | 18, 1915 |
| Nebraska         | ----- | John Jackson Mercer, P.G.M.    | ----- | Feb.  | 25, 1915 |
| Nevada           | ----- | Joseph A. Miller, P.G.M.       | ----- | Dec.  | 8, 1914  |
| North Carolina   | ----- | A. L. Parker, G. Lect.         | ----- | Jan.  | 24, 1915 |
| North Dakota     | ----- | Wm. Spriggs, S.G.W.            | ----- | June  | 10, 1914 |
| Nova Scotia      | ----- | Thomas Trenaman, P.G.M.        | ----- | April | 27, 1914 |
| Oregon           | ----- | John McCracken, P.G.M.         | ----- | Feb.  | 15, 1915 |
| South Carolina   | ----- | Augustine T. Smythe, P.G.M.    | ----- | June  | 24, 1914 |
| South Dakota     | ----- | Sylvester J. Conklin, P.S.G.W. | ----- | May   | 20, 1914 |
| Tennessee        | ----- | Jas. D. Richardson, P.G.M.     | ----- | July  | 24, 1914 |
| Tennessee        | ----- | H. H. Ingersoll, P.G.M.        | ----- | Mar.  | 12, 1915 |
| Utah             | ----- | Charles B. Jack, P.G.M.        | ----- | June  | 4, 1914  |
| Virginia         | ----- | Wm. H. Pleasants, P.G.M.       | ----- | Nov.  | 25, 1914 |
| Washington       | ----- | Wm. H. White, P.G.M.           | ----- | April | 29, 1914 |
| Washington       | ----- | Isaac Parker, J.G.W.           | ----- | Oct.  | 13, 1914 |
| Wyoming          | ----- | Frank M. Foote, P.G.M.         | ----- | Nov.  | 13, 1914 |
| Wyoming          | ----- | W. L. Kuykendall, G. Sec'y     | ----- | Mar.  | 8, 1915  |



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### TO THE HONOURED DEAD OF OUR OWN JURISDICTION

|                       |                      |                |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Adlam, Herbert        | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Bambridge, S. H.      | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Carson, C. F.         | Britannia, No. 18    | April 28, 1914 |
| Charlton, Samuel      | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Clarke, J. C.         | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Coulter, Robert       | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Curtis, Henry B.      | Mizpah, No. 35       | Oct. 3, 1914   |
| Dawson, M. V. F.      | Calgary, No. 23      | May 26, 1914   |
| Davison, John         | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| De Bord, J. W.        | Jasper, No. 14       | May 21, 1914   |
| Ferry, William        | Unity, No. 51        | Mar. 29, 1914  |
| Furley, Wm Edgar      | Robert Burns, No. 49 | Dec. 12, 1914  |
| Gislingham, S.        | Bow River, No. 1     | July 28, 1914  |
| Goodridge, Henry      | Edmonton, No. 7      | Feb. 25, 1914  |
| Gould, James A.       | Unity, No. 51        | Sept. 12, 1914 |
| Hanna, Robert         | Calgary, No. 23      | Apr. 27, 1914  |
| Hartley, Charles      | Perfection, No. 9    | Nov. 13, 1914  |
| Hodgson, Byron        | Gleichen, No. 36     | July 21, 1914  |
| Hulks, Alfred         | North Star, No. 4    | July 10, 1914  |
| Hunter, Hugh          | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Lussier, Jos E.       | Lethbridge, No. 39   | Sept. 3, 1914  |
| Martin, M. E.         | Calgary, No. 23      | July 14, 1914  |
| McClelland, W. G.     | North Star, No. 4    | Oct. 10, 1914  |
| Partridge, A. C.      | Charity, No. 67      | Jan. 4, 1914   |
| Petrie, James         | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Petrie, Robert        | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Quigley, James S.     | King Solomon, No. 41 | June 26, 1914  |
| Quigley, James S.     | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Quigley, Thomas       | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Reilly, W. Barrington | Perfection, No. 9    | Sept. 18, 1914 |
| Richardson, C. W.     | Ashlar, No. 28       | Nov. 13, 1914  |
| Robertson, Donald     | Spitzie, No. 6       | Nov. 17, 1914  |
| Ross, Hugh            | Bow River, No. 1     | Dec. 12, 1914  |
| Ryan, G. H. W.        | Vermilion, No. 24    | Feb. 21, 1914  |
| Taylor, Thomas        | Sentinel, No. 26     | June 19, 1914  |
| Tims, Frank Fraser    | Edmonton, No. 7      | Oct. 31, 1914  |
| Tipton, John G.       | Acacia, No. 11       | Oct. 8, 1914   |
| Toward, James         | King Solomon, No. 41 | Nov. 4, 1914   |
| Tyner, Ernest L.      | Carstairs, No. 20    | May 4, 1914    |
| West, Frederick V.    | Vermilion, No. 24    | May 31, 1914   |
| Young, Wallace L.     | Edmonton, No. 7      | Oct. 1, 1914   |







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*To the Honoured Dead who have laid down their  
lives for love of those institutions which  
have made and bound together  
Our Empire.*

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"How sleep the Brave who sink to rest  
By all their Country's wishes blest.  
When Spring, with dewy fingers cold,  
Returns to deck their hallowed mould,  
She there shall dress a sweeter sod  
Than Fancy's feet have ever trod.  
By fairy hands their knell is rung,  
By forms unseen their dirge is sung ;  
Then Honour comes, a pilgrim grey,  
To bless the turf that wraps their clay ;  
And Freedom shall a while repair,  
To dwell a weeping hermit there."



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LODGE DIRECTORY  
AND  
STATISTICAL TABLES

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# LODGE DIRECTORY

| No. | Name.              | W. Master            | Secretary            | Address               | Night of Regular Meeting.         |
|-----|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1   | Bow River .....    | G. A. Jones .....    | G. A. T. Mason ..... | 120 9 Ave. N.W.       | Cal. Second Monday in each month. |
| 2   | Medicine Hat ..... | J. R. Fisher .....   | R. M. Napier .....   | P.O. 1330, Med Hat.   | Second Tuesday in each month.     |
| 3   | Alberta .....      | C. W. Stevens .....  | D. L. Murlison ..... | P.O. 68, Macleod.     | Wednesday on or before full moon. |
| 4   | North Star .....   | W. J. Armstrong.     | J. A. Reid .....     | P.O. 1809, Lethbr'ge. | Second Monday in each month.      |
| 5   | Cascade .....      | T. A. Dunsmore.      | Geo. Witter .....    | Banff .....           | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 6   | Spitzie .....      | T. P. Newman .....   | F. W. Lindsay .....  | Pincher .....         | Friday on or before full moon.    |
| 7   | Edmonton .....     | Jno. Mackenzie ..... | J. R. Hume .....     | P.O. 515, Edmonton.   | Third Thursday in each month.     |
| 8   | Innisfail .....    | W. C. A. Watt .....  | G. S. Rosamond.      | Innisfail .....       | Third Thursday in each month.     |
| 9   | Perfection .....   | T. G. Whitehair.     | G. E. Drysdale ..... | P.O. 1263, Calgary.   | Third Thursday in each month.     |
| 10  | Eureka .....       | H. L. Brown .....    | N. E. Carruthers.    | Lacombe .....         | First Wednesday in each month.    |
| 11  | Acacia .....       | P. B. McNally .....  | A. H. Church .....   | P.O. 4222, Edmon.     | Second Thursday in each month.    |
| 12  | Red Deer .....     | H. J. Snell .....    | Jas. Ivan Mann.      | Red Deer .....        | Second Tuesday in each month.     |
| 13  | Victoria .....     | G. Easterby .....    | W. A. Graham .....   | Ft. Saskatchewan.     | Tuesday on or before full moon.   |
| 14  | Jasper .....       | A. V. Bellamy .....  | D. J. Smith .....    | 10338 106 St Edmon.   | Second Monday in each month.      |
| 15  | Wetaskiwin .....   | H. G. Hoare .....    | R. W. Manley .....   | Wetaskiwin .....      | Third Thursday in each month.     |
| 16  | Mountain View.     | F. L. London .....   | J. F. Grant .....    | P.O. 204, Olds .....  | Friday on or before full moon.    |
| 17  | Nanton .....       | A. Z. Jessop .....   | G. H. Legler .....   | Nanton .....          | Third Friday in each month.       |
| 18  | Britannia .....    | W. E. Turner .....   | Thos. W. Franks.     | Ponoka .....          | First Thursday in each month.     |
| 19  | Cornerstone .....  | J. F. Casteel .....  | P. G. Thomas .....   | P.O. 307, High River. | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 20  | Carstairs .....    | J. R. Brown .....    | C. W. Moore .....    | Carstairs .....       | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 21  | King Hiram .....   | H. E. Osmond .....   | Jno. Nixon .....     | Didsbury .....        | Tuesday on or before full moon.   |
| 22  | Corinthian .....   | W. B. May .....      | R. Knowles .....     | Okotoks .....         | First Friday in each month.       |
| 23  | Calgary .....      | Geo. Law .....       | I. J. Impey .....    | 517 20 Ave. W.        | Cal. First Friday in each month.  |
| 24  | Vermilion .....    | H. R. Parker .....   | A. W. Roseborough.   | Vermilion .....       | Tuesday on or before full moon.   |
| 25  | St. John .....     | W. T. Clement .....  | H. C. Newlands.      | Vegreville .....      | First Monday in each month.       |
| 26  | Sentinel .....     | A. Ross .....        | Geo. Pattinson ..... | Hillicrest .....      | Wednesday on or before full moon. |
| 27  | Apollo .....       | G. F. Brebber .....  | Wm. Dunlap .....     | Stettler .....        | First Monday in each month.       |
| 28  | Ashlar .....       | A. W. Trickey .....  | E. P. Withrow .....  | P.O. 1769, Calgary.   | Second Thursday in each month.    |
| 29  | Kenilworth .....   | J. T. Watson .....   | F. M. Fowler .....   | Red Deer .....        | First Tuesday in each month.      |

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| 30 | Summit           | .....J. Lousbury      | .....S. Slingsby         | .....Coleman              | .....First Thursday in each month.     |
| 31 | Doric            | .....L. T. Westlake   | .....A. Long             | .....Taber                | .....Tuesday on or before full moon.   |
| 32 | Calro            | .....C. J. Braren     | .....G. A. Adams         | .....Clareholm            | .....Third Thursday in each month.     |
| 33 | Stavely          | .....J. H. Brand      | .....B. G. Davidson      | .....Stavely              | .....Tuesday on or before full moon.   |
| 34 | Star of the West | .....C. Cleut         | .....W. J. Craigen       | .....Leduc                | .....First Tuesday in each month.      |
| 35 | Mizpah           | .....S. Cruikshank    | .....W. H. McEwan        | .....P.O. 335, Med. Hat   | .....Tuesday after full moon.          |
| 36 | Gleichen         | .....D. L. T. Brerton | .....Rev. Can. Stocken   | .....Gleichen             | .....Tuesday on or after full moon.    |
| 37 | Camrose          | .....J. Douglas       | .....G. K. Stephenson    | .....Camrose              | .....Second Thursday in each month.    |
| 38 | Hope             | .....P. Fielding      | .....W. Mackintosh       | .....Mannville            | .....Friday on or before full moon.    |
| 39 | Lethbridge       | .....D. A. Simpson    | .....Geo. Whelen         | .....P.O. 537, Lethbridge | .....Third Thursday in each month.     |
| 40 | Joppa            | .....Geo. Richards    | .....A. S. Peebles       | .....Granum               | .....Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 41 | King Solomon     | .....J. A. Atkinson   | .....J. E. Laird         | .....Cochrane             | .....Friday on or before full moon.    |
| 42 | Bowden           | .....R. D. Sheffield  | .....Wm. Wilson          | .....Bowden               | .....Wednesday on or before full moon. |
| 43 | Tuscan           | .....J. D. Caldwell   | .....W. R. McGowan       | .....Killam               | .....Wednesday on or before full moon. |
| 44 | Buffalo Park     | .....G. E. Harper     | .....F. W. Bell          | .....Wainwright           | .....First Wednesday in each month.    |
| 45 | Ionic            | .....H. W. Panrucker  | .....G. H. Darlow        | .....Alix                 | .....Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 46 | Palestine        | .....C. E. Jamieson   | .....T. Newbrigg         | .....P.O. 70, Tofield     | .....First Wednesday in each month.    |
| 47 | Cowley           | .....A. C. Johnstone  | .....G. A. VanDusen      | .....Cowley               | .....Monday on or before full moon.    |
| 48 | Crossfield       | .....G. W. McLeod     | .....E. H. Morrow        | .....Crossfield           | .....Tuesday on or before full moon.   |
| 49 | Robert Burns     | .....G. Baldwin       | .....E. H. Mack          | .....Carmanagay           | .....Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 50 | Cornet           | .....A. W. Dickson    | .....Michael Smith       | .....Hardisty             | .....Second Tuesday in each month.     |
| 51 | Unity            | .....J. H. Hillier    | .....L. B. Coulter       | .....P.O. 523 Edmonton    | .....First Tuesday in each month.      |
| 52 | Langdon          | .....H. R. Roach      | .....C. J. Suffer        | .....Langdon              | .....Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 53 | Strathmore       | .....J. A. Macdonald  | .....Hy. Wood            | .....P.O. "A" Strathmore  | .....Monday on or before full moon.    |
| 54 | Mt. Lebanon      | .....R. G. Whitmore   | .....Jas. Shaw           | .....P.O. 515, Calgary    | .....Second Tuesday in each month.     |
| 55 | Bassano          | .....J. Golden        | .....R. A. Travis        | .....Bassano              | .....Fourth Tuesday in each month.     |
| 56 | Beaver           | .....G. R. D. Lyon    | .....J. W. Webb          | .....Castor               | .....First Wednesday in each month.    |
| 57 | Grassy Lake      | .....H. B. Moss       | .....Wm. Raisbeck        | .....Grassy Lake          | .....Second Thursday in each month.    |
| 58 | Chief Mountain   | .....J. Maylor        | .....Dr. H. B. Stacpoole | .....Cardston             | .....Second Saturday in each month.    |
| 59 | King George      | .....J. Wild          | .....E. J. Flavin        | .....P.O. 1216, Calgary   | .....Second Friday in each month.      |
| 60 | Acme             | .....Jas. Haining     | .....Rev. R. H. Brett    | .....Acme                 | .....Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 61 | Provost          | .....W. A. Irwin      | .....G. H. Lucas         | .....Provost              | .....Wednesday on or after full moon.  |

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| No.                             | Name.              | W. Master        | Secretary          | Address               | Night of Regular Meeting.         |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 62                              | Coal .....         | P. O. Paulson    | S. T. Wetterburg   | Bawlf .....           | Third Thursday in each month.     |
| 63                              | Empire .....       | H. Fidler        | E. Fidler          | 9514 103 Av. Edm.     | First Monday in each month.       |
| 64                              | Bow Island .....   | W. A. Bateman    | R. L. Stone        | Bow Island .....      | Tuesday or or before full moon.   |
| 65                              | Diamond City ..... | Wm. Scott        | T. N. Christie     | Diamond City .....    | Second Friday in each month.      |
| 66                              | St. Andrew .....   | M. K. Hewer      | E. P. Hughes       | Trochu .....          | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 67                              | Charly .....       | J. A. Gilmore    | J. F. Livie        | 318 15 St. S. L'brge. | Second Friday in each month.      |
| 68                              | Edson .....        | C. C. Raven      | F. C. Glover       | Edson .....           | First Thursday in each month.     |
| 69                              | Connaught .....    | T. A. Cox        | W. McAtthey        | Viking .....          | Tuesday nearest full moon.        |
| 70                              | Quarry .....       | J. Rutherford    | D. R. Reem         | Redcliff .....        | Third Tuesday in each month.      |
| 71                              | Tawatinaw .....    | C. L. Huff       | A. R. Sawle        | Athabasca .....       | First Tuesday in each month.      |
| 72                              | Coronation .....   | K. A. Craig      | A. O. Thomas       | Coronation .....      | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 73                              | Brooks .....       | A. P. Chudleigh  | Dr. C. E. Anderson | Brooks .....          | Third Tuesday in each month.      |
| 74                              | Vulcan .....       | G. M. Carson     | A. J. Flood        | Vulcan .....          | Tuesday on or before full moon.   |
| 75                              | Harmony .....      | W. J. Haines     | J. S. McDonald     | Sedgewick .....       | Monday on or before full moon.    |
| 76                              | Fidelity .....     | A. J. Whitby     | N. E. Ledgerwood   | Bashaw .....          | First Tuesday in each month.      |
| 77                              | Strathcona .....   | W. B. K. Dowlev  | A. M. Mitchell     | P.O. 4007, Edm. S.    | Second Monday in each month.      |
| 78                              | Hanna .....        | J. G. O'Dell     | H. H. Halliday     | Hanna .....           | Wednesday on or before full moon. |
| 79                              | Morning Star ..... | Henry Main       | A. Bunnun          | Lougheed .....        | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 80                              | Excelsior .....    | J. W. McClelland | W. E. G. Hunter    | Strome .....          | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 81                              | Commercial .....   | J. B. Hawkins    | R. W. Henry        | P.O. 8, Edmonton.     | First Saturday in each month.     |
| 82                              | Acadia .....       | G. Campbell      | W. C. Auld         | Youngstown .....      | Tuesday on or before full moon.   |
| 83                              | Zetland .....      | G. W. Kerby      | E. S. Clow         | 924 18 Av. W, Cal.    | Third Thursday in each month.     |
| 84                              | Champion .....     | W. B. Blackley   | E. G. Ogilvie      | Champion .....        | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| 85                              | Suffield .....     | W. C. Hutchinson | J. O. Roberts      | Suffield .....        | Second Wednesday in each month.   |
| 86                              | Rocky Mountaing.   | G. Passmore      | Wm Joyce           | Blairmore .....       | Second Monday in each month.      |
| 87                              | Crescent .....     | R. Pearson       | M. V. Anderson     | 530 21 Av N.W. Cal.   | Thursday on or before full moon.  |
| U.D. Symbol .....               |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |
| U.D. Wabpun .....               |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |
| L.-Col W. F. Carstairs .....    |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |
| W. S. Kent .....                |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |
| Grouard .....                   |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |
| First Thursday in each month.   |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |
| O. J. Laing .....               |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |
| Peace River Crossing            |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |
| Second Wednesday in each month. |                    |                  |                    |                       |                                   |

# TABULAR STATEMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, DECEMBER 27th, 1914

| No. of Lodge | NAME OF LODGE      | Initiated | Passed | Raised | Affiliated | Restored | Dismissed | S. N. P. D. | S. U. M. C. | Died | Membership<br>27th Dec. '13 | Membership<br>27th Dec. '14 | Increase | Decrease |
|--------------|--------------------|-----------|--------|--------|------------|----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1            | Bow River.....     | 13        | 16     | 16     | 9          | 5        | 28        | 8           | ...         | 2    | 296                         | 285                         | ...      | 11       |
| 2            | Medicine Hat.....  | 11        | 15     | 20     | 3          | 1        | 5         | 5           | ...         | 2    | 185                         | 188                         | 3        | ...      |
| 3            | Alberta.....       | 8         | 7      | 8      | 3          | ...      | 2         | 4           | ...         | ...  | 77                          | 81                          | 4        | ...      |
| 4            | North Star.....    | 5         | 6      | 6      | 4          | 1        | ...       | ...         | ...         | 3    | 225                         | 224                         | ...      | 1        |
| 5            | Cascade.....       | 6         | 5      | 5      | 9          | ...      | 3         | 1           | ...         | 1    | 111                         | 121                         | 10       | ...      |
| 6            | Spitzie.....       | 2         | 2      | 2      | 1          | ...      | 4         | 5           | ...         | 1    | 75                          | 68                          | ...      | 7        |
| 7            | Edmonton.....      | 8         | 14     | 10     | 14         | ...      | 10        | ...         | ...         | 3    | 368                         | 376                         | 8        | ...      |
| 8            | Innisfail.....     | 4         | 2      | 2      | 2          | 1        | 1         | ...         | ...         | ...  | 60                          | 66                          | 6        | ...      |
| 9            | Perfection.....    | 11        | 13     | 15     | 8          | ...      | 8         | 12          | ...         | 3    | 446                         | 442                         | ...      | 4        |
| 10           | Eureka.....        | 6         | 6      | 6      | 3          | ...      | 3         | 1           | ...         | ...  | 80                          | 85                          | 5        | ...      |
| 11           | Acacia.....        | 16        | 16     | 14     | 4          | ...      | 3         | ...         | ...         | 1    | 136                         | 147                         | 11       | ...      |
| 12           | Red Deer.....      | 9         | 10     | 9      | 4          | 2        | 6         | 7           | ...         | ...  | 96                          | 98                          | 2        | ...      |
| 13           | Victoria.....      | 4         | 4      | 3      | 1          | ...      | 1         | 4           | ...         | ...  | 65                          | 65                          | ...      | ...      |
| 14           | Jasper.....        | 3         | 9      | 8      | 6          | ...      | 4         | ...         | ...         | 1    | 206                         | 210                         | 4        | ...      |
| 15           | Wetaskiwin.....    | 5         | 10     | 5      | 4          | ...      | 4         | ...         | ...         | ...  | 65                          | 70                          | 5        | ...      |
| 16           | Mountain View..... | ...       | ...    | ...    | ...        | ...      | 1         | ...         | ...         | ...  | 41                          | 40                          | ...      | 1        |
| 17           | Nanton.....        | 6         | 8      | 6      | ...        | ...      | 2         | ...         | ...         | ...  | 60                          | 64                          | 4        | ...      |
| 18           | Brittania.....     | 4         | 4      | 4      | 1          | 1        | 1         | ...         | ...         | 1    | 35                          | 39                          | 4        | ...      |
| 19           | Cornerstone.....   | 7         | 9      | 9      | 2          | ...      | ...       | 3           | ...         | ...  | 123                         | 129                         | 6        | ...      |
| 20           | Carstairs.....     | 2         | 3      | 3      | ...        | ...      | 4         | 4           | ...         | 1    | 52                          | 45                          | ...      | 7        |
| 21           | King Hiram.....    | ...       | ...    | 2      | 3          | ...      | 2         | ...         | ...         | ...  | 53                          | 54                          | 1        | ...      |
| 22           | Corinthian.....    | 2         | 5      | 5      | ...        | ...      | 3         | ...         | ...         | ...  | 67                          | 69                          | 2        | ...      |
| 23           | Calgary.....       | 6         | 13     | 14     | 9          | ...      | 7         | 4           | ...         | 3    | 193                         | 194                         | 1        | ...      |
| 24           | Vermilion.....     | 8         | 11     | 9      | 2          | ...      | ...       | 1           | ...         | 2    | 55                          | 62                          | 7        | ...      |
| 25           | St. John.....      | 6         | 6      | 4      | 3          | ...      | 7         | ...         | ...         | ...  | 53                          | 55                          | 2        | ...      |
| 26           | Sentinel.....      | 8         | 11     | 13     | 4          | ...      | 5         | ...         | ...         | 12   | 90                          | 85                          | ...      | 5        |
| 27           | Apollo.....        | 12        | 11     | 9      | 5          | ...      | 3         | ...         | ...         | ...  | 61                          | 75                          | 14       | ...      |
| 28           | Ashlar.....        | 8         | 10     | 10     | 9          | 1        | 3         | 8           | ...         | 1    | 155                         | 161                         | 6        | ...      |

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| No of Lodge | NAME OF LODGE    | Initiated | Passed | Raised | Affiliated | Restored | Limited | S. N. P. D. | S. T. M. C. | Died | Membership<br>27th Dec., '13 | Membership<br>27th Dec., '14 | Increase | Decrease |
|-------------|------------------|-----------|--------|--------|------------|----------|---------|-------------|-------------|------|------------------------------|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 29          | Kenilworth       | 10        | 10     | 11     | 6          | ...      | 3       | 1           | ...         | ...  | 60                           | 72                           | 12       | ...      |
| 30          | Summit           | 5         | 5      | 6      | 1          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 38                           | 44                           | 6        | ...      |
| 31          | Doric            | 3         | 3      | 4      | 3          | ...      | 1       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 48                           | 53                           | 5        | ...      |
| 32          | Cairo            | 4         | 1      | 1      | 1          | ...      | 1       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 51                           | 54                           | 3        | ...      |
| 33          | Stavely          | 3         | 7      | 5      | 1          | ...      | 2       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 61                           | 63                           | 2        | ...      |
| 34          | Star of the West | 6         | 6      | 6      | 3          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 31                           | 40                           | 9        | ...      |
| 35          | Mizpah           | 9         | 9      | 8      | 8          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 76                           | 92                           | 16       | ...      |
| 36          | Gleichen         | 9         | 7      | 6      | 3          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 53                           | 64                           | 11       | ...      |
| 37          | Camrose          | 3         | 2      | 3      | 7          | ...      | 3       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 43                           | 50                           | 7        | ...      |
| 38          | Hope             | 1         | 1      | 1      | 1          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 37                           | 38                           | 1        | ...      |
| 39          | Lethbridge       | 11        | 8      | 10     | 7          | ...      | 8       | 10          | ...         | ...  | 97                           | 96                           | ...      | ...      |
| 40          | Joppa            | 3         | 3      | 3      | ...        | ...      | 2       | 1           | ...         | ...  | 30                           | 30                           | ...      | ...      |
| 41          | King Solomon     | 2         | 2      | 3      | 1          | 2        | ...     | 2           | ...         | ...  | 29                           | 30                           | 1        | ...      |
| 42          | Bowden           | ...       | ...    | 1      | 3          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 22                           | 25                           | 3        | ...      |
| 43          | Tuscan           | 4         | 5      | 5      | 3          | ...      | 2       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 32                           | 37                           | 5        | ...      |
| 44          | Buffalo Park     | 4         | 5      | 5      | 3          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 51                           | 55                           | 4        | ...      |
| 45          | Ionic            | 7         | 6      | 6      | 3          | 1        | 2       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 47                           | 55                           | 8        | ...      |
| 46          | Palestine        | 3         | 4      | 4      | 4          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 29                           | 36                           | 7        | ...      |
| 47          | Chinook          | 3         | 4      | 3      | ...        | ...      | 2       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 27                           | 28                           | 1        | ...      |
| 48          | Crossfield       | 4         | 4      | 7      | ...        | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 35                           | 37                           | 2        | ...      |
| 49          | Robert Burns     | 6         | 6      | 6      | 2          | ...      | 1       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 35                           | 41                           | 6        | ...      |
| 50          | Comet            | 1         | 2      | 2      | 2          | ...      | ...     | ...         | ...         | ...  | 24                           | 26                           | 2        | ...      |
| 51          | Unity            | 19        | 22     | 36     | 14         | 1        | 4       | 15          | ...         | 2    | 303                          | 316                          | 13       | ...      |
| 52          | Langdon          | 3         | 9      | 10     | 1          | 2        | ...     | 7           | ...         | ...  | 42                           | 41                           | ...      | ...      |
| 53          | Strathmore       | 9         | 10     | 10     | 1          | ...      | 3       | 3           | ...         | ...  | 51                           | 55                           | 4        | ...      |
| 54          | Mount Lebanon    | 16        | 19     | 23     | 3          | ...      | 5       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 134                          | 147                          | 13       | ...      |
| 55          | Bassano          | 9         | 8      | 7      | 5          | ...      | 1       | 2           | ...         | ...  | 62                           | 73                           | 11       | ...      |
| 56          | Beaver           | 8         | 7      | 5      | 3          | ...      | 2       | ...         | ...         | ...  | 45                           | 53                           | 8        | ...      |



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| New Mexico           |                                       |                                         |
| New South Wales      | W. Bro. Wm. T. Wright, Bathurst       | M.W. Bro. Dr. G. Macdonald, Calgary.    |
| New Zealand          | V.W. Bro. G. W. Hulme, Auckland       | W. Bro. Dr. H. L. McInnis, Edmon.       |
| North Carolina       | W. Bro. H. R. Dowell, Raleigh         | R.W. Bro. W. F. Puffer, Lacombe.        |
| North Dakota         | W. Bro. C. E. Tillson, Carrington     | W. Bro. James Reid, Vegreville.         |
| Nova Scotia          | R.W. Bro. C. I. F. Whitney, Lunenburg | R.W. Bro. Robert Scott, Carstairs.      |
| Ohio                 | Bro. Jno. P. McClure, Columbia        | R.W. Bro. A. R. Dickson, Wetaskiwin.    |
| Oklahoma             | V.W. Bro. C. H. Love, Ardmore         | R.W. Bro. Jno. Duff, Olds.              |
| Oregon               | W. Bro. H. L. Pittock, Portland       | W. Bro. C. L. Peterson, Didsbury.       |
| Pennsylvania         |                                       |                                         |
| Prince Edward Island | W. Bro. G. B. McNutt, Charlottetown   | V.W. Bro. A. W. R. Markley, Calgary.    |
| Quebec               | W. Bro. W. Williamson, Montreal       | V.W. Bro. Dr. Jno. Westwood, Coleman.   |
| Queensland           | V.W. Bro. John Thos. Lorne, Nanab     | R.W. Bro. W. G. Congdon, Edmon. S.      |
| Rhode Island         | W. Bro. W. L. Sharpe, East Greenw     | W. Bro. H. E. Daniel, Ft. Sask.         |
| Saskatchewan         | R.W. Bro. F. B. Lewin, Regina         | M.W. Bro. O. W. Kealy, Medicine Hat.    |
| Scotland             | W. Bro. Col. J. M. Denny, Edinburgh   | R.W. Bro. H. E. Gillis, Calgary.        |
| South Australia      |                                       | Bro. G. T. Bragg, Edmonton.             |
| South Carolina       | W. Bro. Jas. W. Ivey, Florence        | M.W. Bro. Judge J. A. Jackson, Lethb'g. |
| South Dakota         | W. Bro. Wm. Carpenter, Andover        | W. Bro. W. Zwienner, Calgary.           |
| Tasmania             | V.W. Bro. H. R. J. Payne, Launceston  | W. Bro. A. Allen, Calgary.              |
| Tennessee            | W. Bro. Junius Hobson, Somerville     | W. Bro. J. I. Brewster, Bowden.         |
| Texas                |                                       |                                         |
| Utah                 | W. Bro. S. C. Park, Salt Lake City    | R.W. Bro. E. T. Bishop, Edmonton.       |
| Vermont              | W. Bro. C. H. Darling, Burlington     | R.W. Bro. E. N. Brown, Calgary.         |
| Victoria             | R.W. Bro. E. Coulsen, Melbourne       | W. Bro. J. C. F. Bown, Edmonton.        |
| Virginia             | W. Bro. Arista Hoge, Staunton         | R.W. Bro. J. N. Rankin, Calgary.        |
| Washington           | W. Bro. F. N. McCandless, Tacoma      | R.W. Bro. T. F. English, Calgary.       |
| West Australia       | R.W. Bro. Humble, Perth               | R.W. Bro. N. S. Kenny, Wainwright.      |
| West Virginia        | R.W. Bro. A. B. Clark, Buckanum       | W. Bro. R. Hollinger, Didsbury.         |
| Wisconsin            | R.W. Bro. E. L. Urquhart, Medford     | R.W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, Calgary.     |
| Wyoming              |                                       |                                         |

GRAND LODGES, WITH THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES  
OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES.

| Grand Lodge.        | Grand Secretary.         | Address.                      |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Alabama .....       | George A. Beauchamp.     | Montgomery.                   |
| Alberta .....       | George Macdonald .....   | Calgary.                      |
| Arizona .....       | George J. Roskrige ..... | Tuscan.                       |
| Arkansas .....      | Fay Hempstead .....      | Little Rock.                  |
| British Columbia.   | W. A. De Wolf-Smith..    | Westminster.                  |
| California .....    | John Whicher .....       | San Francisco. Mas. Temple    |
| Canada .....        | Ralph Leeming Gunn ..    | Hamilton, Ontario.            |
| Chili .....         | S. A. G. Valenzuela....  | Denver, Masonic Temple.       |
| Colorado .....      | Chas. H. Jacobson .....  | Santiago, Casilla 2867.       |
| Connecticut .....   | George A. Kies .....     | Hartford.                     |
| Costa Rica .....    | Antonio Castro .....     | San Jose.                     |
| Cuba .....          | Carlos G. Charles .....  | Havana, P.O. Box 72.          |
| Delaware .....      | Virginus V. Harrison..   | Wilmington.                   |
| District of Colum   | Arvine W. Johnston ..    | Washington, D.C., Masonic Tem |
| England .....       | Edward Letchworth ..     | London.                       |
| Florida .....       | Wilbur P. Webster .....  | Jacksonville.                 |
| Georgia .....       | W. A. Wolihin .....      | Macon.                        |
| Germany: G. Nat.    |                          |                               |
| Mutterloge .....    | Freiherr V. Reitzenstein | Berlin, Splittgerbergasse 3.  |
| Guatemala .....     | Filidelfo Cobar .....    | Guatemala City.               |
| Idaho .....         | Theophilus W. Randall.   | Boise City.                   |
| Illinois .....      | Isaac Cutter .....       | Indianapolis.                 |
| Indiana .....       | Calvin W. Prather .....  | Camp Point.                   |
| Iowa .....          | Newton R. Parvin .....   | Cedar Rapids, Mas. Library.   |
| Ireland .....       | Henry E. Flavelle .....  | Dublin.                       |
| Italy .....         | C. Berlenda .....        | Rome, Casella Postale 443.    |
| Kentucky .....      | Albert K. Wilson .....   | Topeka, cor. 7th and Jackson. |
| Kansas .....        | Dave Jackson .....       | Louisville, Masonic Temple.   |
| Louisiana .....     | John A. Davilla .....    | New Orleans, Masonic Temple.  |
| Maine .....         | Stephen Berry .....      | Portland.                     |
| Manitoba .....      | James A. Ovas .....      | Winnipeg.                     |
| Maryland .....      | George Cook .....        | Baltimore, Masonic Temple.    |
| Massachusetts ..... | F. K. Vogel .....        | Boston, Masonic Temple.       |
| Mexico (York G.     |                          |                               |
| L.) .....           | H. G. Perkins .....      | Mexico City, P.O. Box. 1986.  |
| Michigan .....      | Lou B. Winsor .....      | Reed City.                    |
| Minnesota .....     | John Fishel .....        | St. Paul.                     |
| Mississippi .....   | Frederic Gordon Speed.   | Vicksburg.                    |
| Missouri .....      | John R. Parson .....     | St. Louis.                    |
| Montana .....       | Cornelius Hedges, Jr..   | Helena, Masonic Temple.       |

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| Grand Lodge        | Grand Secretary     | Address                        |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| <hr/>              |                     |                                |
| Nebraska           | Francis E. White    | Omaha.                         |
| Netherlands        | H. J. W. van Lawick | The Hague, Fluweelen Burg. 22. |
| Nevada             | Edw. D. Vanderlleth | Carson City.                   |
| New Brunswick      | J. Twining Hartt    | St. John, 120 Pr. William St.  |
| New Hampshire      | Harry M. Cheney     | Concord, 3 North Main Street.  |
| New Jersey         | Benj. F. Wakefield  | Trenton, Masonic Temple.       |
| New Mexico         | Alpheus A. Keen     | Albuquerque.                   |
| New South Wales    | Arthur H. Bray      | Sydney.                        |
| New York           | Edward M. L. Ehlers | New York City, Masonic Hall.   |
| New Zealand        | Malcolm Niccol      | Dunedin.                       |
| North Carolina     | John C. Drewry      | Raleigh.                       |
| North Dakota       | Walter L. Stockwell | Fargo.                         |
| Nova Scotia        | Thomas Mowbray      | Halifax, Freemasons' Hall.     |
| Ohio               | Jacob H. Bromwell   | Cincinnati, Masonic Temple.    |
| Oklahoma           | Wm. M. Anderson     | Oklahoma City.                 |
| Oregon             | James F. Robinson   | Portland, 388 Yamhill Street.  |
| Pennsylvania       | John A. Perry       | Philadelphia, Masonic Temple.  |
| Peru               | Abelardo L. Montes  | Lima, P.O. Box 587.            |
| Philippine Islands | Amos G. Bellis      | Manila.                        |
| Porto Rico         | Jose G. Torres      | San Juan.                      |
| Pr. Edward Is.     | W. P. Doull         | Charlottetown.                 |
| Quebec             | Will H. Whyte       | Montreal.                      |
| Queensland         | Chas. H. Harley     | Brisbane.                      |
| Rhode Island       | S. Penrose Williams | Providence.                    |
| Saskatchewan       | John M. Shaw        | Regina.                        |
| Scotland           | David Reid          | Edinburgh.                     |
| South Australia    | Chas. R. J. Glover  | Adelaide.                      |
| South Carolina     | O. Frank Hart       | Columbia.                      |
| South Dakota       | George A. Pettigrew | Sioux Falls.                   |
| Sweden             | S. H. B. Svennson   | Stockholm, Blasieholmen No. 6. |
| Swiss Alpina       | Alfred Moraz        | Lausanne, Ave. Ruchonnet 26.   |
| Tasmania           | John Hamilton       | Hobart.                        |
| Tennessee          | John B. Garrett     | Nashville.                     |
| Texas              | John Watson         | Waco.                          |
| Utah               | F. A. McCarty       | Salt Lake City.                |
| Vermont            | Henry H. Ross       | Burlington.                    |
| Victoria           | C. J. Barrow        | Melbourne, 25 Collins Street.  |
| Virginia           | Charles A. Nesbitt  | Richmond, Masonic Temple.      |
| Washington         | Horace W. Tyler     | Tacoma.                        |
| West'n Australia   | J. D. Stevenson     | Perth.                         |
| West Virginia      | John M. Collins     | Charleston.                    |
| Wisconsin          | Wm. W. Perry        | Milwaukee.                     |
| Wyoming            |                     |                                |

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# OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA

ELECTED AT ITS FOUNDATION ON THE 12TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1905, AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER

| W<br>E<br>l<br>c<br>h<br>e<br>d | Grand Masters   | Deputy<br>Grand Masters | Grand<br>Senior-Wardens | Grand<br>Junior-Wardens | Grand<br>Treasurers | Grand<br>Secretaries      | Grand<br>Registrars | Grand<br>Chaplains      |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1905                            | Dr.G. Macdonald | H. C. Taylor            | T. F. English           | O. W. Kealy             | E. N. Brown         | J. J. Dunlop              | Rev. J. Hinchliffe  | Rev. J. S. Chivers      |
| 1906                            | O. W. Kealy     | Rev.G.H.Hogbin          | R. G. Mathews           | Thos. McNabb            | E. N. Brown         | J. J. Dunlop              | C. H. Stuart-Wade   | Rev. J. Hinchliffe      |
| 1907                            | H. C. Taylor    | Rev.G.H.Hogbin          | Thos. McNabb            | J.T. Macdonald          | E. N. Brown         | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | C. H. Stuart-Wade   | Rev. C. C. Hoyle        |
| 1908                            | Rev.G.H.Hogbin  | J. T. Macdonald         | J. J. Dunlop            | A. E. Jamieson          | Dr. N. J. Lindsay   | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | O. W. Kealy P.G.M.  | Rev.W.R. George         |
| 1909                            | J. T. Macdonald | Thos. McNabb            | J. J. Dunlop            | R. Patterson            | Dr. N. J. Lindsay   | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | O.W.Kealy P.G.M.    | Rev. G. H. Webb         |
| 1910                            | J. J. Dunlop    | Thos. McNabb            | R. Patterson            | S. J. Blair             | Dr. N. J. Lindsay   | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | W. M. Connacher     | Rev. Canon<br>Stocken   |
| 1911                            | Thos. McNabb    | R. Patterson            | S. J. Blair             | J. A. Jackson           | Dr. N. J. Lindsay   | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | W. M. Connacher     | Rev.S.B.Hillocks        |
| 1912                            | R. Patterson    | S. J. Blair             | J. A. Jackson           | S. Y. Taylor            | Dr. N. J. Lindsay   | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | T. M. Turnbull      | Rev. R. Pearson         |
| 1913                            | S. J. Blair     | J. A. Jackson           | S. Y. Taylor            | E. T. Bishop            | Dr. N. J. Lindsay   | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | M. M. Downey        | Rev. Canon<br>Stocken   |
| 1914                            | J. A. Jackson   | S. Y. Taylor            | E. T. Bishop            | W.M.Connacher           | Dr. N. J. Lindsay   | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | J. Elliott          | Rev. Canon<br>Stocken   |
| 1915                            | S. Y. Taylor    | E. T. Bishop            | W.M.Connacher           | W. J. Botterill         | S. J. Blair         | Dr.G. Macdonald<br>P.G.M. | J. H. W. S. Kemmis  | Rev. Dr. G. W.<br>Kerby |

## LIST OF LODGES BY MASONIC DISTRICTS.

## District No. 1

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. H. S. Waterbury (23).

|        |              |           |
|--------|--------------|-----------|
| No. 1  | Bow River    | Calgary.  |
| No. 5  | Cascade      | Banff.    |
| No. 9  | Perfection   | Calgary.  |
| No. 23 | Calgary      | Calgary.  |
| No. 28 | Ashlar       | Calgary.  |
| No. 41 | King Solomon | Cochrane. |
| No. 54 | Mt. Lebanon  | Calgary.  |
| No. 59 | King George  | Calgary.  |
| No. 83 | Zetland      | Calgary.  |
| No. 87 | Crescent     | Calgary.  |

## District No. 2.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Dr. G. W. Leach (31).

|        |              |               |
|--------|--------------|---------------|
| No. 2  | Medicine Hat | Medicine Hat. |
| No. 31 | Doric        | Taber.        |
| No. 35 | Mizpah       | Medicine Hat. |
| No. 57 | Grassy Lake  | Grassy Lake.  |
| No. 64 | Bow Island   | Bow Island.   |
| No. 70 | Quarry       | Redcliff.     |
| No. 85 | Suffield     | Suffield.     |

## District No. 3.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. C. P. Ruddy (34).

|        |                  |                       |
|--------|------------------|-----------------------|
| No. 7  | Edmonton         | Edmonton.             |
| No. 11 | Acacia           | Edmonton South.       |
| No. 14 | Jasper           | Edmonton.             |
| No. 34 | Star of the West | Leduc.                |
| No. 51 | Unity            | Edmonton.             |
| No. 63 | Empire           | Edmonton.             |
| No. 68 | Edson            | Edson.                |
| No. 71 | Tawatinaw        | Athabasca.            |
| No. 77 | Strathcona       | Edmonton South.       |
| No. 81 | Commercial       | Edmonton.             |
|        | U.D. Wapiti      | Grouard.              |
|        | U.D. Peace River | Peace River Crossing. |

## District No. 4.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. H. H. Gaetz (12).

|        |               |             |
|--------|---------------|-------------|
| No. 8  | Innisfail     | Innisfail.  |
| No. 10 | Eureka        | Lacombe.    |
| No. 12 | Red Deer      | Red Deer.   |
| No. 15 | Wetaskiwin    | Wetaskiwin. |
| No. 16 | Mountain View | Olds.       |
| No. 18 | Britannia     | Ponoka.     |
| No. 20 | Carstairs     | Carstairs.  |
| No. 21 | King Hiram    | Didsbury.   |
| No. 29 | Kenilworth    | Red Deer.   |
| No. 42 | Bowden        | Bowden.     |
| No. 48 | Crossfield    | Crossfield. |

## District No. 5.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. A. M. McKee (75).

|        |              |            |
|--------|--------------|------------|
| No. 37 | Camrose      | Camrose.   |
| No. 43 | Tuscan       | Killam.    |
| No. 50 | Comet        | Hardisty.  |
| No. 61 | Provost      | Provost.   |
| No. 62 | Coal         | Bawlf.     |
| No. 75 | Harmony      | Sedgewick. |
| No. 76 | Fidelity     | Bashaw.    |
| No. 79 | Morning Star | Lougheed.  |
| No. 80 | Excelsior    | Strome.    |

## District No. 6.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. H. H. Gould (19).

|        |             |             |
|--------|-------------|-------------|
| No. 17 | Nanton      | Nanton.     |
| No. 19 | Cornerstone | High River. |
| No. 22 | Corinthian  | Okotoks.    |
| No. 32 | Cairo       | Claresholm. |
| No. 33 | Stavely     | Stavely.    |
| No. 40 | Joppa       | Granum.     |

## District No. 7.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. Dr. C. E. Anderson (73).

|        |            |             |
|--------|------------|-------------|
| No. 36 | Gleichen   | Gleichen.   |
| No. 52 | Langdon    | Langdon.    |
| No. 53 | Strathmore | Strathmore. |
| No. 55 | Bassano    | Bassano.    |
| No. 60 | Acme       | Acme.       |
| No. 73 | Brooks     | Brooks.     |



## District No. 8.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. W. L. Ouimette (30).

|                       |       |            |
|-----------------------|-------|------------|
| No. 3 Alberta         | ----- | Macleod.   |
| No. 6 Spitzie         | ----- | Pincher.   |
| No. 26 Sentinel       | ----- | Hillcrest. |
| No. 30 Summit         | ----- | Coleman.   |
| No. 47 Chinook        | ----- | Cowley.    |
| No. 86 Rocky Mountain | ----- | Blairmore. |

## District No. 9.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. J. W. McBrine (56).

|                   |       |             |
|-------------------|-------|-------------|
| No. 27 Apollo     | ----- | Stettler.   |
| No. 45 Ionic      | ----- | Alix.       |
| No. 56 Beaver     | ----- | Castor.     |
| No. 66 St. Andrew | ----- | Trochu.     |
| No. 72 Coronation | ----- | Coronation. |
| No. 78 Hanna      | ----- | Hanna.      |
| No. 82 Acadia     | ----- | Youngstown. |
| U.D. Symbol       | ----- | Drumheller. |

## District No. 10.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. W. McAthey (69).

|                     |       |                   |
|---------------------|-------|-------------------|
| No. 13 Victoria     | ----- | Ft. Saskatchewan. |
| No. 24 Vermilion    | ----- | Vermilion.        |
| No. 25 St. John     | ----- | Vegreville.       |
| No. 38 Hope         | ----- | Mannville.        |
| No. 44 Buffalo Park | ----- | Wainwright.       |
| No. 46 Palestine    | ----- | Tofield.          |
| No. 69 Connaught    | ----- | Viking.           |

## District No. 11.

D.D.G.M.—R.W. Bro. B. B. Hoyt (4).

|                       |       |               |
|-----------------------|-------|---------------|
| No. 4 North Star      | ----- | Lethbridge.   |
| No. 39 Lethbridge     | ----- | Lethbridge.   |
| No. 49 Robert Burns   | ----- | Carmangay.    |
| No. 58 Chief Mountain | ----- | Cardston.     |
| No. 65 Diamond City   | ----- | Diamond City. |
| No. 67 Charity        | ----- | Lethbridge.   |
| No. 74 Vulcan         | ----- | Vulcan.       |
| No. 84 Champion       | ----- | Champion.     |



REPORT  
OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

*By S. Y. TAYLOR, D.G.M.*

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ALABAMA.

94th Annual.

Montgomery, Dec. 2, 1914.

The Grand Master, Henry Clanton Miller, upon assuming the duties of his high office gave up his personal affairs and devoted the year to the service of the Craft.

In his address he says:

In order that we, as Master Masons, may measure up to the full discharge of our duties and obligations, it is necessary that we be something more than mere ritualists. There are, I fear, too many among us who have no idea of the beautiful sentiments and wholesome lessons which lie concealed beneath the surface of a "perfect lesson" and a superficial knowledge of the ritual; too many who can repeat the ceremonies of conferring the several degrees, and yet are almost, if not wholly, ignorant of the relation which these ceremonies bear to individual life and conduct; too many who may believe that they have become "bright Masons," and who may perhaps hold the coveted "certificate of proficiency," yet know but little or nothing of the real beauties and truths sought to be imparted by the Symbols of the Fraternity, and into whose minds has never flashed the inspiration leading them into a study of those great principles upon which our Institution is founded; too many who can detect an error in word or position in our ceremonial work, and yet are unable to give a reason for the faith that is in them and who have never realized that beyond this superficial knowledge lies the true—the real—spirit of Masonry.

In my study of the situation I have reached the conclusion that the Lodge is more at fault than the individual Mason who is introduced into the forms and ceremonies of the several degrees, instructed in a short catechism concerning the first and second degrees, perhaps congratulated upon being such a "bright Mason," and then turned loose with this erroneous idea and false impression of the Fraternity, to drift for himself; often, if he be a thinking, reasoning man, he is disappointed, and the result is, a loss of interest, a dimitt or suspension. It is the reasoning, thoughtful student of Masonry whose life is in harmony with the principles, upon whom depends the usefulness and the destiny of our Fraternity.

I do not mean to discourage a thorough knowledge of our beautiful ritual, but I would most seriously and earnestly recommend that our studies be not confined within this narrow sphere; that they be extended beyond the surface of the ritual to those great principles which constitute the foundation of our ancient and honorable Order, and would assure him who so applies himself that in thus being "brought from darkness to light" he will realize that the true spirit of Masonry lies beyond the forms and ceremonies of initiation and that he will find genuine happiness and pleasure in the light which will be unfolded. I believe that the sooner we can inspire the craft, as a whole, to an intelligent study of these principles, the sooner will Masonry exercise that power for Fraternity and Morality which will brighten and bless the nations of the earth. Our Institution will never exercise its maximum influence for morality and noble manhood upon individual life and character, and consequently upon the destiny of our race, until we reach by a higher standard or ideal of intellectual training and education a more thorough knowledge of the tenets and principles of our Fraternity.

It is recorded in connection with the Masonic Home that a brother of the medical profession has offered to take any case of tuberculosis among the residents into a Sanitorium of which he is the owner and treat the sufferer free of charge until cured. Another brother offers the services, without any charges, of the Anti-Tuberculosis Fresh Air Camp to any case that may develop, except a bedridden case. And a third brother desirous of doing some individual service, in memory of his sainted mother, offered to provide a scholarship for one of the girls in a Business College, the offer to include board, clothes, pin-money, and all necessary and incidental expenses, until a position could be obtained that would make her self-supporting.

There were 89 inmates in the Masonic Home and the per capita expenditure is about \$175.00 per annum.

In 170 pages of the Proceedings, Brother N. L. Mewhinney makes his first report on Foreign Correspondence and reviews everything of note to the Fraternity. He believes the usual system of reporting the Foreign Correspondence by Grand Lodges could be improved, and with the courage of his convictions has presented the information in the index form, everything on the one subject is brought together under its particular heading. The brethren of Alabama are to be congratulated in having Brother Mewhinney to prepare their review of the Masonic world.

M.W. Bro. Henry Clanton Miller -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. George A. Beauchamp -----Grand Secretary

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## ARIZONA.

32nd Annual.

Phoenix, Feb. 10, 1914.

Owing to the absence of the Grand Master, through indisposition, the Deputy Grand Master, occupied the Grand East and conducted the affairs of the Grand Lodge.

Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Rt. W. Bro. Charles M. Smith, Grand Representative of Alberta was also present.

The Grand Master did not present his Annual Report, and our only source of information as to his official acts, is the Grand Secretary's report.

He instructed the Grand Secretary to forward \$150.00 to each of the Grand Secretaries of Ohio and Indiana, as a contribution towards the relief funds of those States. He issued one dispensation to form a new Lodge in the town of Duncan.

The total amount contributed by the Subordinate Lodges for the Widows' and Orphans' fund was \$1,151.00.

There are 20 Lodges and one U. D. in this jurisdiction. The total membership is 2324, a gain of 203 during the year.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended fraternal recognition to the Grand Lodge of Mexico and Porto Rico. This was adopted by Grand Lodge.

There is no Foreign Correspondence Report.

M.W. Bro. Charles Miller Smith -----Grand Master  
V.W. Bro. George James Roskrige -----Grand Secretary

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### BRITISH COLUMBIA.

43rd Annual.

Prince Rupert, June 18, 1914.

M.W. Bro. William Henderson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, visited forty-nine out of the seventy-seven Lodges in his Jurisdiction. The Deputy Grand Master attended the Grand Master on many of his official visits. Twenty-nine Lodges were favored with his presence during the year.

Dispensations were granted to eight new lodges by Grand Master Henderson.

We are pleased to note that the Grand Lodge of British Columbia is stamping out an attempt to form a clandestine lodge in Vancouver.

The Deputy Grand Master states, in his report, that Mount Hermon Lodge No. 7, Vancouver, is the banner lodge of the jurisdiction in respect to membership, which numbers 432. They held 45 communications and conferred 103 degrees during the year. Their finances have increased over two thousand dollars in 1914. A notable feature in this lodge was the delivery of many instructive addresses by W. Bro. Wm. Burns.

The Grand Secretary's report shows that thirty out of the seventy-seven Secretaries of subordinate lodges are Past Masters.

The office of Secretary is a very important one and we commend the wisdom of the members of those lodges who chose experienced men to fill this responsible office.

The present total membership is 7,176, a net increase of 550 during the year. The funds and property of the subordinate lodges are estimated at \$265,758.60.

Relief was granted to members \$1,407.65; to widows and orphans \$1,375.34, and to transients \$5,422.55.

The following are some of the items of expenditure for 1914:

|                                                |            |
|------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Grand Secretary's salary -----                 | \$1,800.00 |
| Grant in aid of Grand Lodge Library -----      | 257.50     |
| Rent of Grand Lodge Library -----              | 50.00      |
| Committee on Foreign Correspondence -----      | 100.00     |
| Grand Historian -----                          | 100.00     |
| Grand Treasurer's salary -----                 | 50.00      |
| Ten per cent. of revenue to Charity Fund ----- | 1,103.25   |

A further sum of \$2,000 was transferred from General to Charity Fund. The latter fund has now to its credit \$42,469.11.

M.W. Bro. James Stark ----- Grand Master  
V.W. Bro. W. A. De Wolf-Smith, Grand Secretary and Chairman  
of Foreign Correspondence Committee.

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## CALIFORNIA.

65th Annual.

San Francisco, Oct. 13, 1914.

Churchill Lodge, No. 26 Nevada tried a brother of Yolo Lodge, No. 81, California, and suspended him from the rights and privileges of Masonry. Upon a certified transcription of the trial record Yolo Lodge also suspended the brother. The Grand Master was asked to pass upon the correctness of this action. He disapproved of the action of the Lodge, and his decision was sustained by the Grand Lodge.

He decided that a brother who is named in the charter of a Lodge as its Master and serves until the end of the term and until his successor is elected and qualified is entitled to the title of Past Master.

Grand Lodge adopted a resolution that it was necessary to have on a petition for to open and hold a Lodge not less than twelve and not more than twenty-five Master Masons in good standing.

In the report on Foreign Correspondence a full account is given of the noted McGrew case which at one time seemed about to disturb the friendly and cordial relations between Massachusetts and California.

In 1894 Massachusetts expelled one named McGrew from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. Ten years after he petitioned for restoration, which petition was denied, the record being that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition for restoration; thus leaving him free to renew his petition at a later date without prejudice to action taken.

The letter of the Grand Secretary of Massachusetts to McGrew read, "I am directed by Baalis Sanford, Esq., Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts to advise you that a petition from you was presented at the Quarterly Communication of the said Grand Lodge held in September last, praying for your restoration to the rights and privileges of Masonry. The petition was referred to a special committee who reported at the Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge held in September last. After a full discussion it was decided that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.

In 1907 McGrew using the "permission to withdraw" as a dimit was elected to membership in a California Lodge.

Massachusetts was naturally indignant when they learnt of his acquiring membership in a California Lodge.

After considerable correspondence all the facts of the case have been laid bare, and Brother Hart rightly says "if a fraud was committed on Massachusetts in the restoration to Masonic standing of the individual in question, an even greater fraud was committed on the Masons of California."

M.W. Bro. Benjamin F. Bledive -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. John Whicher -----Grand Secretary

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#### CANADA.

(In the Province of Ontario)

59th Annual.

Niagara Falls, July 15, 1914.

An address of welcome was delivered by the Mayor of the City of Niagara Falls and responded to by M.W. Bro. William David McPherson, Grand Master.



Fourteen Grand Masters and many other distinguished representatives from the various Grand Lodges of the northern portion of this continent were warmly welcomed by the Grand Master to their Annual Convocation, and to the celebration of one hundred years of peace between Great Britain and her Dominions and the United States of America to be held after the close of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master reported that the year just closed was one of the best in the history of the Craft both financially and numerically.

The revenue for the year was \$47,241.08, an increase over the preceding year of \$2,544.49. Grants for benevolence from the ordinary funds were \$29,193.00 and from interest on the investment of "The Semi-Centennial Fund" were \$4,515.00, making a total of \$33,708.00 for benevolence during the year.

The membership is 57,000, an increase for the year of 3,000. On the roll there are 425 warranted lodges and 18 working under dispensation. He granted dispensations for the formation of ten new lodges; three of these being in the City of Toronto.

Upon the question of the constitutionality of the by-law of a private lodge designed to limit the membership of a lodge to a specified number, he ruled that in his opinion it was within the jurisdiction of a lodge to pass such a by-law and, if the lodge passed it, he would formally approve thereof.

The Reports of the various D.D.G.M's. are complete and indicate that excellent work was done by them during their year of office.

The Report of the Board on the Condition of Masonry cannot be commended for its brevity, but contains nevertheless excellent advice which our good brethren should read and ponder over.

A sum not exceeding \$600 was granted from the funds of Grand Lodge towards defraying the expenses of the incoming District Deputy Grand Masters to a Provincial Lodge of Instruction to be held at the call of the Grand Master.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is again ably prepared by M.W. Bro. Freed, P.G.M.

M.W. Bro. Wm. David McPherson -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. R. L. Gunn -----Grand Secretary

## DELAWARE.

109th Annual.

Wilmington, Oct. 7, 1915.

Grand Master Frank B. Massey visited officially the 22 Lodges in the Jurisdiction. Accompanied by several Grand Lodge Officers he attended the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

Two Special Communications were called during the year, one for the purpose of dedicating a Masonic Hall, and the other for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Delaware Industrial School for Girls.

The following question was submitted to the Grand Master for his decision:

"It is the desire of many of the officers and brethren of Jefferson Lodge No. 15, with their wives and daughters to organize a Chapter of the Eastern Star and meet in the Lodge room. Is there any objection to this?"

He replied that a resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge in October, 1894, was:

"That a Subordinate Lodge in this Jurisdiction, whose Lodge room has been dedicated and consecrated to Masonic uses, shall not sublet nor allow the use of their rooms or any part of them, for purposes of occupancy to any other society."

This Grand Lodge entered into fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, but postponed the question of recognition of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico until more definite information could be obtained.

The Board of Managers of the Masonic Home reported that the affairs of the Home were in a satisfactory condition. There are at present nine residents cared for in the Home; three married couples, two men and one woman.

The cost per capita for maintenance was a fraction less than \$1.00 per day.

A Past Grand Master's Apron and Jewel was presented to retiring Grand Master Frank B. Massey.

A brief but well written Correspondence Report covering 63 pages was prepared by Bro. H. J. Guthrie, P.G.M.

We looked in vain for a review of Alberta.

M.W. Bro. W. E. Vallient -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. V. V. Harrison, -----Grand Secretary

## FLORIDA.

85th Annual.

Jacksonville, Jan. 20, 1914.

Two Special Convocations of the Grand Lodge of Florida were convened for the purpose of laying the corner stones of public buildings. Grand Master Wilson refused dispensation to a Lodge to lay the corner stone of a Methodist church on Sunday. We are amazed at such a request from any religious organization.

The Grand Master granted dispensations to several Lodges to hold a public installation of their officers.

We are in favor of a social evening in every Lodge, once a year, at which the wives of the brethren and their friends are invited, but never could see what value to Masonry, a public installation would be.

Numerous dispensations were granted to private Lodges to confer degrees short of time. Good and sufficient reasons should always be given before this universal rule is violated, and we must confess that we would hesitate to do so for such reasons as the following: "About to enter College," "About to move to South Carolina," etc.

The Grand Master refused dispensation to a certain Lodge to attend Divine service clothed as Masons.

He ruled that installation if held before St. John's Day is to be as of that date and as soon as the officers have been installed they vacate their places not to resume them until after December 27th.

His Grand Lodge is to be commended for their prompt action in sending \$400 to relieve the destitute, who suffered on account of the Ohio flood, in the State of Illinois, and \$848.45 to the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

The request to send a delegate to the Conference of Masons at San Francisco was refused, and the use of a "Chain Letter" condemned.

All applications for dimitts must be made in open Lodge and the Worshipful Master, after ascertaining that the applicant is in good standing and not in arrears for dues shall instruct the Secretary to issue the dimit and to record the same upon the Minutes.

The Grand Master recommended that hereafter not less than fifteen petitioners be required to establish a Lodge U.D.

He ruled that a candidate for initiation could not be recommended by a brother who resides within the jurisdiction of the Lodge but is not a member thereof.

The following decisions will also be of interest to our readers:

In Masonic trials, where the brother is found guilty, and the penalty inflicted is either suspension or expulsion, the Lodge record must show the vote for and against by which the penalty was fixed.

A Lodge cannot be said to have received a petition until it shall have been read in open Lodge. Therefore a petition can be withdrawn from the hands of the Secretary before he has presented it to the Lodge.

Dimitts cannot be issued to Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts.

When a temple or a hall has been dedicated to Masonry, it should be used only for Masonic or benevolent purposes.

A dispensation is not necessary to install a Worshipful Master elected from the floor. While it is recommended that Worshipful Masters should be chosen from Wardens or Past Masters, the Lodge is the best judge of the competence of its members.

Only five Entered Apprentices can be initiated at the same communication of the Lodge.

Dispensations cannot be issued to Lodges to hold their annual election of officers at a communication in advance of the regular time fixed by the Constitution.

Lodges, as such, are prohibited from attending divine service at any time excepting for funerals and on St. John's Day as provided in the Constitution.

The annual assessment of twenty-five (25) cents per capita is hereby made upon the members of this Grand Jurisdiction for the purpose of Masonic relief and charity to be applied by the Masonic Relief Committee. Said assessment to be collected of the Lodges with the Annual dues.

Public installation of Officers may hereafter be held by the Lodges without dispensation from the Grand Master.

A Past Master presiding over a Lodge at the request of the Warden in charge, can preside only in the presence of the Warden. On the withdrawal of the Warden from the communication, any right which the Past Master may have in his presence ceases except immediately to close the Lodge.

Lodges U.D. cannot affiliate members, but if it is the unanimous desire of all members present at a regular meeting of the U.D. Lodge, the name of a brother may be added to its roll of members, with the consent of the M.W. Grand Master.

Smoking in a Lodge room during business or conferring degrees is undignified, and therefore should be prohibited by the Worshipful Master.

Washington Lodge is erecting a monument to the memory of their Tyler who has served in that capacity for fifty-five years.

One D.D.G.M. made 57 visits during the year.

Fraternal recognition was granted to the Grand Lodges of Queensland and of the Philippine Islands.

The present membership of the Grand Lodge is 11,437 being a net increase of 644 during the year.

Bro. Silas B. Wright presented his twelfth annual report of the proceedings of Foreign Jurisdictions.

The summary at the close of his report is a comprehensive review of all the important events transpiring in the Masonic World, and is replete with information for every thoughtful student of Masonry.

M.W. Bro. Cephas L. Wilson -----Grand Master

R.W. Bro. Wilber P. Webster -----Grand Secretary

## GEORGIA.

128th Annual.

Macon, Oct. 27, 1914.

Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form on the Master's Degree, and with prayer by Rev. H. G. Edenfield, Grand Chaplain. Five Past Grand Masters were present.

Grand Master Colding in his Annual Address contrasts the Panama Canal with the Masonic Institution, and succeeded in bringing out many important points of similarity.

His denouncement of the atrocities committed during the present European war will find an echo in the heart of every Brother Mason.

The following decisions given by the Grand Master will be of interest to our readers:

(1) A Master Mason guilty of violating the prohibition law, does not purge himself of his unmasonic conduct by appearing in open Lodge and acknowledging his transgression. The Grand Lodge of Georgia years ago put its stamp of disapproval on the liquor traffic in no uncertain way and no Mason in Georgia can honestly plead ignorance of the law in respect to this matter. If a Master Mason knowingly, wilfully and deignedly engages in such business, he has no cause to complain when he is punished for his unmasonic conduct.

(2) In balloting, the ballot box should be handed first to the Master, then to the Senior Warden and then the Junior Warden, and then placed upon the altar and all the membership advance and deposit their ballot under the sign of a Master Mason. It is not proper to pass the ballot box around the room.

(3) The law as to physical qualifications relates only to applicants for degrees, and does not apply to Master Masons who desire to affiliate.

(4) It is in the discretion of the Subordinate Lodge to dismiss charges against one who has been guilty of unmasonic conduct, when such Brother appears in open Lodge, acknowledges his transgression and asks forgiveness. The idea of Masonry is to build up and not tear down.

(5) It is improper and unmasonic to constitute a Masonic Lodge on the Sabbath Day, same not being a work of necessity, charity nor a memorial to the dead.

(6) It is proper for a Lodge to hold Memorial Services in honor of departed Brethren on the Sabbath Day at a church.

(7) It is not in the discretion of the Subordinate Lodge to accord a Brother convicted of unmasonic conduct a new trial. The Brother having been found guilty, it then becomes the duty of the Secretary of the Lodge to send the proceedings to the Grand Lodge for final action in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided.

(8) A Masonic Lodge has no right to allow the application for degrees to be withdrawn after same has been regularly read before ballot without unanimous consent expressed by secret ballot. The withdrawal of an application in any other manner is illegal and void. Any Brother has the right to demand that a ballot be had on the application for withdrawal. If the Lodge refuses to allow same to be withdrawn same must be voted on, just as if no such action was ever taken.

(9) A Lodge having a surplus of cash on hand does not violate the law when it expends a portion of its funds for the purchase of a Past Master's jewel, as a reward for faithful services of one of its Past Master's. When the Lodge takes such action, it is the duty of the Secretary to sign the necessary order on the Treasurer to cover the expenses incident to making the purchase.

(10) A majority vote of the Lodge is all that is necessary to decide all questions before a Lodge, unless there is a provision of the law making a different requirement.

(11) It is gross unmasonic conduct for a Master Mason to place the square and compass or any other Masonic emblem on his business stationery, or to distribute circulars containing Masonic emblems for the purpose of advertising his business. Masonry is not a commercial institution.

Dispensations were issued for eight new Lodges.

Fourteen pages of the Grand Master's address was taken up with reporting various dispensations granted; the great majority of which were either to give permission to, change the hour of meeting, or to confer a degree upon a greater number than that permitted by the Constitution. Surely, a summary of these is all that should be required. The fee for a dispensation to raise more than five Brethren at one time was changed from \$5.00 each to \$1.00 each.

A resolution was submitted, authorizing Subordinate Lodges to divide the work in the Master's degree into two communications, and make a requirement of the Candidate as to proficiency in the knowledge of all work in the first section, including the obligation, covering the same requirements as would be necessary for his advancement in the preceding degrees.

Why not insist upon every candidate proving his proficiency in the Master Mason's Degree as in the other two degrees?

The report of the Committee on General Welfare, which was adopted by Grand Lodge, contained a clause disapproving of the recommendation of the Grand Master looking to the establishment of District Deputies throughout the Jurisdiction, believing that the benefits said to be derived from their services can be secured in better ways. They did not however explain the "better way." We have found that when the selections are carefully and wisely made, this system is a means of strengthening and unifying the work, and when properly directed by the Grand Master, whose Deputies they are, should aid him in keeping closely in touch with every Subordinate Lodge in his Jurisdiction.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by Bro. Charles L. Bass. It is an interesting and well prepared paper. Alberta 1913 is fully and judiciously reviewed.

M.W. Bro. N. H. Ballard -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. W. A. Wolihin -----Grand Secretary

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## IDAHO.

47th Annual.

Coeur D'Alene, Sept. 8th, 1914.

The address of Grand Master Curtis E. Pike covers twenty pages of the proceedings. He visited or met informally about forty-five out of the total number of sixty-four Lodges. He wisely gave first consideration to the smaller lodges where instruction is most required.

We are surprised to learn that in this Grand Jurisdiction the Grand Master has no power to authorize an election on any date other than St. John's Day. This is the only Grand Lodge we are aware of, which withholds this prerogative from their chief Executive Officer.



He advised the members to read Masonic literature and study its history and laws. He recommended that a small library be started in every lodge. No brother can be elected to the office of Worshipful Master until he is in possession of a Master's certificate. The Grand Master stated "that a Lodge may be barred from choosing its most worthy member for Master simply because he has no certificate on the night of election and he has probably failed to secure a certificate because he did not consider himself in any sense a candidate for the office and did not wish to seem to be seeking the preferment.

This to my mind is the proper attitude for a Mason to assume. If the requirement were made to apply to installation instead of election there would be less difficulty in enforcing it."

He does not recommend documentary evidence as a requirement for admission as a visitor.

Regarding membership he says:

"When discord and confusion arise in Masonic Lodges, its source can generally be traced to the admission of improper persons; the strength of a Lodge consists not in numbers so much as in the quality of its members. The mistaken idea is that any tolerably good man of whom no ill is known has a right to be made a Mason, and it is by many considered a hardship and an outrage that men whom they consider good men are not permitted to enter our Lodges. On the contrary, **no man, however high his position, has any right to be made a Mason.** If he is received into our Lodges it is a great favor bestowed and should be so regarded. No man, under any circumstances, should be admitted until the assurance is positively given that he will add strength to the institution, that he is a lover of the liberal arts and sciences, able to understand and appreciate our mysteries, and will aid in transmitting them unimpaired to posterity."

"It is a serious mistake to elect weak men, or men of low mental or moral worth, hoping to elevate them through the associations of the Lodge and its members; the Lodge is not a reformatory. Masonry demands of her suitors that they be good men and true, **before they receive her favors, as well as after.** Character is our greatest asset and the standard of the men you initiate today will be the standard of the Lodge in the future. Beware the men who seek to join for business, professional or political reasons—for the standing it will give them in one way and another, and in balloting the Lodge should always be given the benefit of the doubt."

This Grand Lodge distributed \$3,500 for the support and care of orphans, indigent Masons, and widows of Masons. An excellent showing. We wonder if it might not be better to omit the names of the recipients of these contributions?

Immediately after the installation of Officers, the newly installed Grand Master was presented with a Signet Ring which is transmitted each year, as the emblem of authority to each succeeding Grand Master.

There are sixty-four Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction having a total membership of 4,413.

Bro. George E. Knepper presented his thirteenth Annual Report on Correspondence. It is replete with valuable information.

M.W. Bro. Andrew Christenson -----Grand Master  
R W. Bro. Theophilus W. Randall -----Grand Secretary

## ILLINOIS.

75th Annual.

Chicago, Oct. 13th, 1914

This Grand Lodge celebrated its Seventy-fifth Anniversary in the Medinah Temple, Chicago, on the above date.

Three Past Grand Masters addressed the immense gathering, taking as subjects, The Past: The Present: and The Future of Masonry in Illinois.

This Grand Lodge is now the second largest Grand Lodge on this continent and the third largest in the world.

There are 837 active Lodges with a membership of 131,000.

The Masonic Orphans Home at La Grange and the Home for our aged brethren and their wives and widows at Sullivan are both generously supported by the good brethren of Illinois.

M.W. Bro. Henry T. Burnap in his annual address says:—

“In the great conflict now in progress among the nations in Europe our modern civilization has already suffered a staggering blow. Thousands of lives and millions of treasure

are being sacrificed on the altar of national ambition, jealousy and avarice, to be followed by untold suffering, poverty and despair. While we rejoice that we live amid the blessings of peace and prosperity we cannot remain indifferent to the cries of suffering humanity in other lands. The time seems not far distant when the fraternity will have its greatest opportunity to demonstrate to the world that brotherly love and relief are truly among its most prized tenets and when the appeal comes I cannot but believe that our great institution will be found foremost among those organizations which will respond most promptly and with the greatest liberality.

"Among the citizens of a nation so widely cosmopolitan as ours the prejudices and sympathies of individuals will naturally be divided along the lines of nativity or consanguinity. Notwithstanding this, in our character as masons, it is our duty to occupy a position of absolute neutrality and, since 'Masonry hath always been injured by war, bloodshed and confusion,' to employ our united efforts in the promotion of peace and, closing our eyes to the mere accident of birth or blood, tender our sympathy and assistance equally and impartially to all.

"And when in this terrible conflict the last gun shall have been fired, the last drop of blood shed and a final settlement of inter-national difficulties concluded, let us hope for the dawn of a new day which shall see the final end of war and the beginning of a permanent reign of peace throughout the civilized world."

This Grand Lodge has adopted the system of appointment of District Deputy Grand Masters to aid the Grand Master in the discharge of his many duties, and the Grand Master recommends that these faithful Craftsmen be paid at least their actual expenses while on duty.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Illinois at their annual meeting on October, 1913, voted an appropriation of \$50,000 to be used for the erection of a hospital at Sullivan.

The Grand Master on behalf of Grand Lodge accepted the gift and tendered his grateful appreciation of the Craft of Illinois.

Grand Master Burnap addressed a letter to each of the Past Grand Masters of this Grand Jurisdiction requesting them to furnish him, for future reference, a brief autobiography covering date and place of birth, parentage, the more important details with reference to education, profession, or occupation, and a complete Masonic record. The value of this is patent to every Mason.

A Committee was appointed to prepare a ritual appropriate to be used at a burial service in cases where the body of the deceased brother was not to be interred:

M.W. Bro. Burnap was reelected for a second term as Grand Master.

There is much of interest in the proceedings of this Grand Lodge which we would gladly include in our review but lack of space forbids.

The Report of Foreign Correspondence by Bro. Owen Scott P.G.M. is exhaustive and illuminating. Much care and thought was evidently given to its production.

M.W. Bro. Henry T. Burnap -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Isaac Cutter -----Grand Secretary

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## INDIANA.

93rd Annual.

Indianapolis, May 26th, 1914.

At 9 o'clock a.m., an hour prior to the opening of the Grand Lodge was devoted to music and an address.

The speaker of the occasion was Bro. Max Merritt of Evansville, Ind. In his introductory remarks he fully justifies the right of the Jewish race, of which he is one, to membership in Freemasonry.

His concluding paragraph is well worthy of a place in this review.

"Brotherhood is one of the most beautiful words in the language. It represents the true goal toward which humanity is marching. Slowly and painfully and with many haltings has humanity made its way toward this goal across the darkened ages, and with every advancing step, men have become nobler, life has become fairer, and the future richer in its promise. This word "brotherhood," for which Masonry is another synonym, sums up the dearest hope that has ever inspired the vision of prophet, poet, sage or seer, and its final realization means a consummation of the dearest hope that has ever soothed the yearning hope of humanity. This magic

word of Masonry is the watchword of the day. It is emphasized by every twisted telegraphic coil that binds the continents together, by every keel that plows the seas shortening the distance between the hearts of men, by every plane that soars the skies, annihilating the barriers of space, by every rail of steel that draws the ends of the earth together in a greater oneness and our order built on the rock of Brotherhood may bid defiance to every storm and link its fortunes with eternity."

Grand Master Hanan in his annual address says:

"The year just closing has in every way been a most prosperous one. Nature has yielded abundantly to the necessities of life and our glorious Republic is blessed with great prosperity. Masonry has kept well up abreast with the advancement of the world. This has been a banner year for Masonry within this Jurisdiction. It has made the largest increase in membership of any year in its history. The membership now has reached the astounding figure of over sixty-six thousand, an increase of three thousand during the year.

"Not only has Masonry increased so greatly in membership, but the standard of the Masonic life has correspondingly advanced, and there seems to be an earnest desire on the part of our brethren to live Masonry in the true sense of that term. Peace, love and harmony prevail everywhere throughout this Grand Jurisdiction. The Lodges are in splendid financial condition and the ritualistic work has reached a high grade of proficiency, and Masons are endeavoring to live outside of the Lodge that which is taught inside."

He recommends that every Worshipful Master see to it that the Masonic law shall be studied and expounded in his Lodge as well as the ritualistic work and that evenings be set apart especially for that work.

The officers of a certain Subordinate Lodge, having failed and refused to make their annual returns to Grand Lodge and to pay their dues, and having totally ignored all correspondence from the officers of Grand Lodge was suspended by the Grand Master until the next meeting of Grand Lodge, at which time they were ordered to appear and show cause why their Charter should not be revoked.

The corner stones of fourteen public buildings were laid by the Grand Master or his Special Deputy during the year.

Grand Master Hanan and Past Grand Master Gay attended a Conference which was held in the City of St. Louis last May.

Grand Masters and Representatives from thirty-five jurisdictions in the United States, and the Grand Master of Mexico, and the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master of Ontario were present.

There were held five sessions of the Conference and many very important questions upon Masonic usages and laws were ably and intelligently discussed; and suggestions of some important recommendations to the different Grand Lodges were advised.

On the afternoon of May 16th, the Grand Lodge of Missouri laid the corner-stone of the Administration Building of the Masonic Home in the City of St. Louis and the Governor of that State delivered an address. About ten thousand Masons attended the ceremony. The Home has been maintained for many years and there are now about three hundred dependent Masons, widows and orphans in this Home.

During the Conference, the Grand Lodges of Tennessee, Iowa and Missouri conferred the Master Mason degree in the presence of twenty-five hundred Masons.

On the evening of May 16th, a banquet in honor of visiting Grand Masters was tendered by the Masons of St. Louis and there were fifteen hundred Masons seated at the table. Following the banquet was a splendid program of music and speeches by Grand Masters.

This Conference in many respects was one of the most interesting and important events in the history of Masonry in the United States.

One of the recommendations made by the Conference was for an interjurisdictional certificate of good standing to be used in lieu of a dimit for the purpose of transfer of membership, enabling a member of standing in one jurisdiction to transfer his membership to another jurisdiction where, should his application be rejected, his membership would not be disturbed in his original Lodge.

The Conference of Grand Masters further recommend that Grand Lodges fix the maximum amount of one hundred dollars that a Lodge could expend, unless otherwise specified, for the relief of the sick or burial of the dead of another jurisdiction, where a Lodge had been notified and responded to care for such sick or burial of the dead without specifying the amount, this in no way to abrogate or set aside a regulation that no Lodge can contract a debt for relief or funeral expenses for another Lodge to pay without its consent.

The Grand Master spoke in eulogistic terms of the admirable work done by Grand Secretary C. W. Prather, whom he designated as the Corner-Stone of Masonry in Indiana.

Bro. Hanan concludes his excellent address with these words:

"Within a few hours I will have the pleasure of placing the mantle of authority upon the shoulders of my worthy successor, and take my place upon the floor with my illustrious predecessors, but not to be shelved, but with an opportunity to express my gratitude in service rather than in words."  
Many Past Grand Masters could improve in this regard.

An emergency fund of \$3,000 has been set aside by Grand Lodge to be held in reserve for use of Grand Lodge through its Grand Master and Grand Secretary in emergencies such as occurred during the flood of 1913.

This Grand Lodge owns its Masonic Temple; on it there is no indebtedness whatever, and a balance of \$4,000 in the treasury from rentals.

The Masonic Home Building Committee was authorized to select a location for the Home, purchase a site, employ an architect, proceed with the preparation of plans and the construction of the buildings as rapidly as their funds and the means of Grand Lodge would permit; no debt to be created without the express consent of Grand Lodge.

A resolution was passed absolutely and positively prohibiting the conferring of degrees in "short form," and another making it a Masonic offence for a dimitted Mason, in visiting a Lodge, to fail to make known to the W.M. or a Committee of the Lodge the fact that he is not affiliated, provided that he had knowledge of this requirement.

The following general resolution in regard to transfer of membership between Grand Jurisdictions was adopted:

"Any Brother of this or any other "recognized" Grand Jurisdiction, free from charges, desiring to dimit for the purpose of joining another Lodge in our own or any such "recognized" Grand Jurisdiction which has a law substantially the same, shall have the right to petition such other Lodge for membership upon first giving notice to his original Lodge of such intention, which petition shall be accompanied by a receipt or certificate from his Lodge, showing him to be not delinquent in the payment of dues to the Lodge in which he holds membership. Should the Lodge so receiving his petition

elect him to membership it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Lodge so electing him to notify under seal of the Lodge, his former Lodge of such election and the petitioner shall then pay his dues to his former Lodge up to the date of his said election. Upon receipt of said notice and said dues his former Lodge shall grant him a dimit, which dimit shall be filed with the Secretary of the Lodge so electing him to membership, and this shall complete his membership therein. In case of his rejection by the Lodge to which he has so applied, his membership shall remain in his former Lodge; provided, however, that this section shall in no wise be construed so as to impair the long established right of voluntary and absolute dimission."

This Grand Lodge grants all the Representatives in attendance at the Annual Convocation an allowance of 10 cents per mile travelled, and an additional allowance of \$3.00 per day.

An excellent report on Foreign Correspondence is written by Bro. Elmer F. Gay. We hope that he will include Alberta next year.

M.W. Bro. Martin A. Morrison -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Calvin W. Prather -----Grand Secretary

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## IOWA.

71st Annual.

Des Moines, June 9, 1914.

Grand Master Frank B. Whitaker presented a very interesting account of his many official acts during his tenure of office.

During the year he travelled 15,000 miles, visiting sessions of the Grand Lodges of Missouri and of Florida and forty-six Lodges in his own Jurisdiction. With three exceptions, one or more degrees were conferred at each visit by him.

At the last session of this Grand Lodge it was recommended that in addition to the ritualistic instruction, lectures and information on Masonic research be furnished, and the Grand Master appointed a committee of three to be known as the Committee on Masonic Research. Not only were many lectures given on Masonic subjects but there was a marked demand for the circulating library for the purpose of Masonic study and a great



increase in the number of books loaned to members throughout the State by the Masonic library. An appropriation of \$250 was made to cover expenses in connection with travelling libraries. Under the fostering care of this Committee no less than eighty-four Masonic lectures were delivered during the Masonic year.

At the Conference of Grand Masters called by the Grand Master of Missouri, at St. Louis, many important topics were discussed. It was recommended that all Grand Lodges adopt a certificate of membership to supplement the ordinary dimit, but not to be substituted for it.

A Brother moving from one Jurisdiction to another could then present his certificate and retain his membership until his petition for affiliation is accepted in the new Lodge.

Eighty Brethren in this Jurisdiction hold commissions as District Lecturers. They are paid \$3.00 per day and their railroad and hotel expenses, while on duty.

For a number of years it has been customary for the Lodge of which the newly elected Grand Master is a member to tender him a reception early during his term of office. This custom was followed by Belmont Lodge in honor of their first Master, Frank B. Whitaker, who at the last session of Grand Lodge was elected its presiding officer.

For the information of our Masonic students, we quote the following:

Three years' course of study recommended by the officers of the International Association of Masonic students.

Every Masonic student should be in possession of a clearly printed, well-bound copy of the Holy Bible, and an up-to-date dictionary. He should own a few first class reference books, and be a regular subscriber to one or more high class Masonic magazines.

We recommend the following: First—The Monitor of the Jurisdiction to which the student owns allegiance. Should there be no authorized Monitor in the Jurisdiction, then he should own either Shaver's, Mackey's, or Sickel's, in the order named. (In Iowa the Custodians recommend Simons' Monitor)

#### First Year

History: Gould's Concise History of Freemasonry; Armitage's Short History of Freemasonry. Symbolism: Mackey's

Masonic Symbolism. Mysteries: Buck's Mystic Masonry. Jurisprudence: Mackay's Textbook of Masonic Jurisprudence.

#### Second Year

History: Stillson and Hughan's History of Freemasonry and Concordant Orders. Symbolism: Oliver's Signs and Symbols. Mysteries: Fellows, the Mysteries of Freemasonry. Jurisprudence: Look, Masonic Trials. General Reading: Pike, Poems; Boutelle, Man of Mt. Moriah.

#### Third Year

History: Gould's Larger History (6 volumes). Symbolism. Bromwell, Masonic Restorations; or if obtainable, Pike's Lectures on Symbolism. Mysteries: Adams, House of the Hidden Places; Buck, Genius of Freemasonry; Pike, Morals and Dogma. Jurisprudence: Lockwood, Masonic Law and Practice; Lawrence, Masonic Jurisprudence. General: Morris, Poetry of Freemasonry; Jewels of Masonic Oratory; Light and Shadows of the Mystic Tie.

#### Special Studies

Hughan, English Rite of Masonry; Robertson, The Cryptic Rite; Addison, Knights Templar; Sherman, Brief History of the A. & A.S.R.; Engle, General History of the O.E.S.; Wright, Indian Masonry; Upton, Negro Masonry.

#### Poets Laureate of Masonry.

For the information of the craft we give herewith the name and dates of the crowning of the three Brothers who have thus far received the designation of Poet Laureate.

In the year 1787, in Canongate Kilwinning Lodge, No. 2, at Edinburgh, Scotland, Most Worshipful Brother Robert Burns was coronated first Poet Laureate of Freemasonry.

In the year 1884, in the Grand Lodge of New York, at New York City, Most Worshipful Brother Robert Morris was coronated second Poet Laureate of Freemasonry.

In the year 1908, in Ravenswood Lodge, No. 777, held in Medinah Temple, at Chicago, Illinois, Right Worshipful Brother Fay Heimstead was coronated third Poet Laureate of Freemasonry.

Iowa Masonry may point with pride to the character of its initiates as indicated by the report that of nearly 50,000 members on its rolls only six were subject to discipline, a record never before equalled in this Grand Jurisdiction.

We wish to give our readers the benefit of this address and have consequently copied the same as it appeared in the printed proceedings:—

FREEMASONRY—WHENCE IT CAME, WHAT IT ONCE WAS, AND HOW IT BECAME WHAT IT IS NOW.

By John A. Thorp, P. A. Gr. D. E., England.

Synopsis.—The Brotherhood of Masons. Its origin in the East. Its primary objects. Travels westward. Its achievements. Roman Collegia. The Comacine Masters. Arrival in England. Athelstan Guilds, their privileges and restrictions. Masons and Freemasons. The Golden Age of Operative Masonry. The decline and its cause. Speculative and Philosophical Masonry. Its rapid development. The Grand Lodge of England. Continuity of English Freemasonry through five centuries. The Old Charges. Retrospect. Conclusion.

I am to speak to you this evening about the past of Freemasonry, and I want you therefore to accompany me back through many centuries, in order that we may ascertain some details of the history of Freemasonry which are fairly well authenticated.

Just when the Brotherhood of Masons took its rise we do not know, its beginnings are lost in the midst of the ages; but we do know that it originated somewhere in the East, and thence traveled slowly Westward.

Its foundation was probably due to two causes:

1. The dangerous character of the employment.
2. The necessity for excellence of work.

These would naturally tend to draw together the various members of the craft for mutual assistance.

Starting then as a purely operative body, possibly from India or Egypt, the Masons traveled westward, traversing Phoenicia, Asia Minor, entering Europe by way of Constantinople, and on through Greece to Rome, where already several centuries before the Christian era we find them bound together in corporations called Collegia, which in some respects resemble the Freemasons' Lodges of later years. These Collegia flourished in all parts of the great Roman Empire, traces of their existence having been discovered in England as early as 50 A.D.

In due time Rome was taken and pillaged by the Goths, the Collegia were suppressed, and their members scattered. A remnant of the Masons took refuge among the hills of Northern Italy, and through several centuries handed down from generation to generation the secrets of their craft.

When law and order had been re-established, the Masons set about restoring the ravages of the Goths, after which they set out once more on their journey to the West. On they went through Lombardy, Germany, France, and over to England, where, by the time of Athelstan (925-940), we find them strongly established for mutual assistance and protection under the name of Guilds. In many respects these Guilds were similar to the old Roman Collegia, and were probably founded upon their ruins.

Athelstan, the grandson of Alfred the Great, was a wise and pacific prince; in the words of one of the old charges, "He brought the land to rest and peace, and builded many great buildings of castles and abbeyes, for he loved Masons well." What wonder, then, that the Guilds flourished, establishing themselves in almost every town, and becoming very powerful. They continued for several centuries, being eventually suppressed in the reign of Edward VI.

The members of these Guilds of Masons had many privileges. They were allowed to frame their own rules and regulations, and to enforce obedience thereto. They had the monopoly of all the building in the town in which they were established, and no Mason could obtain employment at his trade unless he were a member of the local Guild. On the other hand, they had serious responsibilities, limitations, and restrictions. No member of the Guild could undertake any work outside the town, but was compelled to hold himself in constant readiness for the repair or strengthening of the castles or town walls, which was an urgent necessity in those troublous times.

The year 1375 is a very important date in the history of our fraternity, for in the records of the Company of Masons of the city of London of that year, we first meet with the word "Freemason."

Now, who and what were the Freemasons of those early days? Many explanations of the origin and meaning of this word have been suggested, but the following seems the most feasible of all.

After the Norman Conquest, England was invaded by a perfect army of ecclesiastics, and churches, monasteries, cathedrals, and abbeys were commenced in every part of the country. Where these buildings were being erected in towns, the work could be undertaken by the local Guilds, but when they were far from the populous places a difficulty was experienced in procuring sufficient skilled labor. To meet this, it is supposed that many experienced members of the Guilds were induced to sever their connection with the local body and accept service under the new ecclesiastical authority, thus becoming free from the restrictions and limitations to which they had previously been subject, and henceforth designated Freemasons.

There were thus from the fourteenth century, and perhaps even earlier, two distinct classes or bodies of Masons working almost side by side, viz., the Guild Mason and the church building Freemasons, from the latter of which the Freemasons are descended.

Although similar in some respects, these two bodies of Masons differed in others. Thus the church building Freemasons, from their constant association with ecclesiastics, were a particularly religious body, permeated with religious ideas and symbolisms, a fact which comes out prominently in their later history. On the other hand, the Guild Masons were not eminently a religious body. Besides this, the Guild Masons were a strictly local body, their operations being restricted to the area within the town walls, while the church building Freemasons were a national organization whose members traveled throughout the length and breadth of the land, wherever employment was obtainable.

From this latter fact, reference to their late employers for their character and qualifications was oftentimes impossible, hence arose the necessity for sign, token and word, with which our ancient brethren traveled to and fro in the land for several centuries, beautifying and adorning it with stately and superb edifices.

Whence came this sign, token, and word?

We do not know. We read of an assembly at York, 926 A.D., of which, however, no records remain. But there must have been a meeting held somewhere, at which regulations were adopted, which served to bind the brotherhood together for many generations. Many copies of these regulations,

called "old charges", are still in existence, ranging over nearly four centuries, and are justly considered the title deeds of Freemasonry.

The twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, and fifteenth centuries were the golden age of operative Masonry in England, and then came the decadence, due in great measure to three causes, viz:

1. The impoverishment of the country in consequence of the long continued civil wars.
2. The dissolution of the monasteries.
3. The rise of Puritanism.

The Lodges thus lost their best clients, and in consequence turned to the nobility and gentry of the country for support, undertaking the erection of their castles, mansions, and country residences, many of which dating to the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, are still in existence. Some of these gentlemen who were antiquarians or archeologists, and attracted probably by the antiquity and the mystery of the order, joined the various Lodges, being "accepted" as Masons, although they had no connection whatever with the craft, hence the designation of the Freemason as "Free and Accepted."

This gradual reception of non-operatives became general, until by the end of the seventeenth century there were probably few Lodges composed exclusively of operative Masons.

In 1717 the members of four London Lodges met and established the first Grand Lodge, the original body from which all Grand Lodges throughout the world are directly or indirectly descended.

These Lodges were:

1. The Lodge meeting at the "Goose and Gridiron."
2. The Lodge meeting at the "Crown." Both operative and speculative.
3. The Lodge meeting at the "Appletree." Principally operative.
4. The Lodge meeting at the "Rummer and Grapes." Speculative.

Thus it will be seen that at this time, 1717, the two parties were equally balanced. The first Grand Master, Anthony Sayer, was an "Operative," and of his Wardens one was an "Operative" and the other a "Speculative", the proportion thus being two Operatives to one Speculative. In 1720 the proportion changed to two Speculative against one Operative, while in 1723 the Grand Master and Wardens were all Speculatives, after which the Operative element decreased rapidly and the fraternity became almost exclusively Speculative.

Up to the year 1723, the "old charges," with their quaint combination of operative regulations and moral rules, had bound the Masons together, but in that year Anderson's Book of Constitutions superseded the "old charges," and still remains in many respects the code of regulations which governs the fraternity today. In comparing the "old charges," with the new "constitutions," it will be seen that the moral rules which stood in the front with the old operatives in mediæval times are equally prominent in the new code. These may be expressed in the apostolic language thus—Fear God, Honor the King, Love the Brotherhood. And as long as the craft is faithful to its old transactions, it may confidently look forward to a continued prosperous existence."

One of the very interesting features of this Grand Lodge Convocation were the short talks on various Masonic topics giving during the session of the Grand Lodge. The subjects were Freemasonry and Patriotism; Freemasonry and Religion; and What is a Mason? They seemed to be highly appreciated by the Brethren.

Bro. Louis Block, P.G.M., presented the report on Foreign Correspondence. It covers 255 pages and is perhaps the most exhaustive review I have been privileged to read.

M.W. Bro. Charles W. Walton -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Newton R. Parvin -----Grand Secretary

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## KANSAS.

58th Annual

Topeka, Feb. 18th, 1914

Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present at the opening of Grand Lodge by M.W. Bro. Elrick C. Cole, Grand Master. W. Bro. Geo. D. Adams, Grand Representative of Alberta was present.

During the year the Grand Master personally officiated at the laying of four corner-stones.

The Masonic Home is the pride of the Masons of Kansas.

The total membership of the Home was 92, consisting of 52 children and 40 adults. The expense of maintaining this Home for 1913 was \$17,584.32 being \$195.38 per capita. The joint salary paid the Superintendent and Matron is \$1,500.

I have pleasure in quoting part of the concluding words of Grand Master Cole's address:—

"The tendency of the age is progressive, and Freemasonry must ever stand for the highest thought of the time and place. In every walk of life a higher individual standard is demanded than in the past, and in no jurisdiction is this more evident than in our own. The commonwealth which banished the saloon and the brewery; that fosters the church, the various institutions of learning and beneficence, creates a citizenship best adapted to an intelligent understanding of the fundamental principles of Masonry, and most likely to seek membership in an order whose corner-stone is the upbuilding of humanity. More and more do men appreciate that the homely virtues of truth, integrity and justice taught by the Master, while He walked beside the Sea of Galilee are the sum total of life; and that life and character of that Teacher made His name imperishable whether He be deemed human or divine.

"Mankind has placed many laws upon the statute books to suppress crime. They deter crime, but do not raise the standard of humanity. Mankind has sought by altruism to upraise humanity, but in vain. The only grip by which man can be raised to a living perpendicular is the strong grip of the Lion of the tribe of Judah. No society, sect or creed has so great an opportunity in this regard as Freemasonry. About her altars the devotees of all societies, sects and creeds, the follower of Mohamet, of Confucius or the most orthodox Jew can join hands with the believer in the Divinity of the Master, meeting upon the common level of man's duty towards his God, his country and his fellow men.

"Freemasonry raises no issue and seeks no conflict with any sect or creed. Through all the centuries past since the Master Builder stood beside the trestle board, the strength of this Order has been the dignity of its bearing when assaulted by ignorance, the freedom of creed of its membership and the



corner-stone of love for our fellowmen. So long as these continue to be the essentials required, this Order will continue to thrive in spite of anathema or prejudice."

Lodges failing to send in their Annual reports to the Grand Secretary before a fixed date forfeit their right to representation at the next meeting of Grand Lodge.

There are eleven Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction which have a membership of over 400.

The total membership on Dec. 31st, 1913, was 40,668, being a net gain of 1,791 during the year.

The Brethren of Kansas are fortunate in their choice of Annual Orator. We take the liberty of quoting in full the latter part of the excellent address of Bro. Frank Strong, Chancellor of the University of Kansas.

"Perhaps the best type of the ancient societies which are the actual forerunners of modern Freemasonry are the Roman Colleges of Builders, societies for instruction in architectural arts and in religion; societies having in their keeping the mysteries of ancient learning, the symbols that had developed during many centuries, and the esprit de corps that comes from closely organized bodies having in their keeping the wealth of the past. Each College of Builders was organized much like the modern lodge. It had a Master and Wardens. It had secret meetings, initiations and three degrees. Each College had a civil and engineering side, and each legion of the Roman army had a brigade of fraternities to build bridges, walls, and to take charge of public buildings in conquered territory. It was inevitable that the city that governed the world and founded its colonies in the remotest regions of Gaul and Britain should send there also members of the Roman Colleges with the secrets and learning in their possession. The Roman conquest of Britain brought the Colleges into northern Britain. They built the mighty walls and towers that protected northern Britain from the Picts and Scots. Thus London, York, and St. Albans in England, Strassburg, Colon, and Paris on the continent, are the results of the activities of the Colleges of Builders, and became centres of the mysteries. These in turn became centres of other Colleges, which increased in number and influence as the Roman civilization developed.

"When Christianity became the state religion of Rome the mysteries were largely discontinued, except that the architects who were initiates in the mysteries perpetuated the old

societies in order to keep control of the secrets of their art and architecture. Masonry became then more largely operative Masonry, but was also the repository of certain religious elements still remaining. Traveling craftsmen, fully armed and clothed in a distinctive uniform formed themselves into companies and traveled from country to country to do such work as might be required of operative Masons. The Roman Colleges of Builders, increased in number and influence, and even after the decline of the Roman power these secret and powerful organizations maintained their hold. It is due to them in part that the Roman civilization was not entirely stamped out. Colleges in England existed under the Anglo-Saxons as Guilds, which were known as early as 715 A.D. St. Augustine is said to have been a member and head of a College and attached the Colleges to the monasteries, but even down to that time a candidate had to prove that he had traveled to Italy and the East and that he knew architecture, before he was eligible as a Master. There were in England during Saxon times many traveling bands of Masons, and in 1438 the Grand Masters of Scotland were accorded jurisdiction by James II of Scotland. During the eighth century old names largely disappeared and the Colleges of Builders were called Colleges of Masons, or Colleges of Free Masons. They still retained grips and passwords and had many of the requirements of the modern lodges of Free and Accepted Masons.

"Masonry flourished in Germany in early times, and as early as 1275 a masonic organization at Strassburg established a system of regulations, and members of the lodges were called Free Masons. The first French Guild recognized by law was in 1121, and was regarded then as an old institution. The oldest code of French Guilds that has come down to us is that of Boileau in 1260. A gradual shifting of the emphasis in the Colleges of Builders to operative Masonry, the growth of free cities and the development of the germ of nationality led in Continental Europe to a gradual change in name in the Middle Ages from Colleges of Builders to Guilds. The Guild, therefore, is a college of Builders under a different name.

"But Masonry was still largely operative. It still had control of the learning of the times and combined together in one society those who were skilled in the building crafts. The time came, however, when the development of the political and social life led to the general decrease and final extinction of the operative side of the Guilds. Learning was dispensed more freely among the masses. Printing was invented. Books became common and usable. Great masses were admitted to

the mysteries of ancient learning, and operative Masonry no longer filled the important and secret place it had once held. Now came the question whether the great symbolic truths that had been of such moment to the race through thousands of years of discipline should decline and go out of existence. Should the religious side of the ancient mysteries that in shifting conditions had maintained itself from early times be allowed to die with the extinction of Guilds and operative Masonry? Did the symbolism that had grown up about operative Masonry hold nothing for modern times? There could be but one answer to that question, and that answer is clear from the history of speculative Masonry. In 1703 the Lodge of St. Paul at London passed the following resolution: "Resolved, that the privileges of Masonry shall no longer be confined to operative Masons," and what some historians regard the first lodge of Free and Accepted Masons was founded in 1717 with requisite rites and ceremonies, and after due deliberation speculative Masonry was formally and fully established. That the change has been justified by the event, who can doubt?

"Modern Masonry, therefore, deals no longer with operative Masonry. It has a more substantial foundation than the material side of our life. It is wholly based upon the symbolic, the invisible, the spiritual. The things that are seen are the things that so easily pass away. The things invisible and spiritual are the things vital and immortal. It is therefore a thought to give any man pause that the rites and ceremonies in which he takes part in a modern lodge of Free and Accepted Masons are fundamentally the same as those in which men through many thousands of years have taken part to their spiritual uplift. Ancient operative Masonry on its symbolic side was to teach the unity of God. The highest elements of the earliest Egyptian religion taught the doctrine of one God. Who can estimate the powerful influence of ancient societies in keeping alive and propagating the idea upon which alone any pure religion can be founded? Modern Masonry teaches the immortality of the soul, but so did the most ancient of the Egyptian mysteries. This fundamental element of Masonry is taught by the same symbols that were used in Tyre at the time of King Solomon's Temple and in the ancient Eleusinian and Egyptian mysteries. This long line of unbroken succession shows, to my mind, two things: First, the immense yearning of human kind at all times for an answer to the question, If a man die, shall he live again? and second, the earnest belief of the human race from the earliest times until now that if a man die he shall live again. This universal intuition so strongly implanted in the race, no matter where, no matter

how conditioned, is a stronger proof than many so-called scientific demonstrations.

"Masonry, whether modern or ancient, teaches secrecy; but secrecy involves loyalty and self control, two of the fundamental characteristics of all strong and good men. It has laid great stress upon the fact that he who would enter into the mysteries must have full control of his faculties, must be able to subdue himself, must be the defender and supporter of all those to whom he is tied by any sacred obligation. Therefore, no one can estimate during the terrible centuries of war of the Middle Ages, through endless invasion and anarchy, the influence of masonic societies in maintaining peace, order, and some semblance of civilization. They with the church formed centers all over the world for many a century for the maintenance of some sort of law and order and organized community life.

"Masonry teaches brotherhood. The obligations of one member to another are of such a character as to greatly enforce this fundamental conception, which lies at the very basis of our religion and our civilization. If it had done nothing more than develop and enforce the idea of brotherhood, Masonry would have been of great value to the world. Masonry has been one of the great exemplifiers of the fraternal idea, and has greatly extended its scope since the Christian era. It is the mother of fraternities which have spread themselves far and wide over the world, have entered almost every avenue of life, and have had an enormous influence in unifying the world. When the happy time comes that the idea of brotherhood shall have crossed the bounds of race and country and united all peoples and nations of the earth together, it will be found that the fraternal idea of which Masonry is a type and whose imitators are legion will have had an important and significant part.

"Masonry stands for integrity and uprightness. The obligations that it requires and enforces can be fully met only by an upright life. A true Mason understands that he is expected to be true to his God, his country, his neighbor and himself. He is bound, therefore, by a many-sided duty which he can discharge only by being a good man, a patriot, a true husband and father, and a self-respecting citizen.

"And lastly, Brother Masons, it is clear from a study of the essence of ancient and modern Masonry that the final conclusion of the masonic idea for each Free and Accepted

Mason is now and ever has been the development of character. M.W. Bro. Cole was presented with a Past Grand Master's jewel and an engrossed parchment booklet containing the names of the donors.

Bro. M. Miller, P.G.M., presents an excellent report on Foreign Correspondence. Alberta's report for 1913 receives favorable recognition.

M.W. Charles H. Chandler -----Grand Master  
R.W. Albert K. Wilson -----Grand Secretary

#### LOUISIANA.

103rd Annual.

New Orleans, Feb. 2nd, 1914

Grand Master Emil Sundbery reports the condition of Masonry in his Jurisdiction in the following terms:—

"There is no doubt in my mind of the prosperity of our Order in Louisiana both in numbers and quality of membership. I believe that the world grows better every day before our eyes, and that, because this is so, we have more available Masonic material now than heretofore. Masonry is being recognized more and more as a world-power for good, and the best men in all communities, elsewhere as well as in our State, are seeking admission to its privileges. Such is my conclusion based upon information gained from the District Deputies, the Grand Lecturers, and my own observations. Our Grand Secretary's report will show a net gain of 731 in our membership during the year, the largest in the history of our Order in this State. While a great numerical gain is by no means to be regarded as the highest achievement, it nevertheless indicates beyond question a most desirable reputation."

He granted a dispensation to a Lodge permitting their Lodge room to be used for the purpose of holding religious services in it during the winter season.

Dispensations were granted to four lodges to hold public installations, and to two others to hold installations jointly with

bodies whose membership is exclusively composed of Masons or their relatives.

He refused to grant a dispensation to a certain Lodge to confer the second section of the M. M. degree in a summary manner on four candidates, conferring it in full on a fifth one.

On the question of Masonic Relief the Grand Master says:

"It is with intense pride that I touch upon the subject of our Relief Lodge. The average Mason in our State knows it only by name, and I must confess that until this year, when through the Grand Master's office I came into intimate contact with its management, I knew very little about the work of this praiseworthy institution. The Relief Lodge is composed of the three chief officers of each of the twenty-two Lodges in New Orleans, of which it is the agent in temporary relief work, but in addition to this it is the agent of the Masons of Louisiana in dispensing relief to unfortunate Brethren of the whole world, passing through this great and important gateway. The officers, and, when necessary, the members, visit the sick in the hospitals, bury the dead, arrange for transportation for stranded Masons and members of Mason's families, take them to the trains, and see that they are safely sent to relatives and friends, provide for the care of the sick in hospitals and convalescent homes, and for children in homes for the young. It is a labor of love with the officers to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and bind up the wounds of the afflicted. I have heard it said and I believe it, that the Master, W. Bro. Weingrun, will leave his meal unfinished to answer a relief call. Complicated cases have come under my observation which have been handled with such dispatch and efficiency as to arouse my enthusiastic admiration.

"Recently an employment agency has been added, which, although not yet a year old, has, under the able management of W. Bro. Suarez, found employment for 145 Masons and their dependents. All this is Masonic Relief with a big R, and it is a matter of surprise to me that so much can be done, so painstakingly and so thoroughly, with the small resources available.

"To meet the annual expenses of this noble institution the Grand Lodge contributes \$1,250. From other sources, mainly from the Lodges in New Orleans, a like sum is collected by voluntary subscription, making the total amount about \$2,500. This modest sum is not sufficient, nor is it contributed in an equitable manner; for some Lodges give more than their

just part, which means that the majority do not give enough. A charity that belongs to us all is the obligation of us all.

"I believe that all of our Lodges are willing to contribute to the maintenance of this most worthy institution, and in order to make the donations more equitable, I suggest that they be based on the membership, and as more of this relief work should belong to the Lodges of the City of New Orleans than to the country Lodges, that the former subscribe twenty-five cents and the latter ten cents per capita.

"Come Charity with goodness crowned  
Encircled in thy heavenly robe  
Diffuse thy blessing all around  
To every corner of the globe."

Relief is one of the principal tenets of our profession, and by a resolution of this Grand Lodge the sum of \$2,500 is annually appropriated to the Grand Master's Relief Fund. The Grand Master may also, through the Thomas Amendment, use the interest on all investments of the Widows' and Orphans' Permanent Relief Fund, amounting the past year to \$1,114.24, giving him a total of \$3,614.24.

He recommended that dimitts should only be issued conditioned upon affiliation within twelve months and that failure to receive notice of such affiliation by a Lodge within this period should automatically restore the Brother to Membership and render his dues payable as if no dimit had been issued.

He recommended that subordinate Lodges be empowered to grant dimitts to Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts moving out of this Jurisdiction if they choose to do so.

He also recommended that the laws be amended so as to automatically suspend a Brother under a penitentiary sentence and place upon him the burden of proof if he applies for reinstatement after his sentence is served.

Past Grand Master Thomas delivered a stirring address which was ordered to be printed in pamphlet form and distributed among the Masons of the State.

He chose as his subject: Whence comes Masonry? What is Masonry? What is the mission of Masonry?

A very brief Report on Foreign Correspondence covering twenty-six pages was presented by Bro. Herman C. Duncan, Chairman of Committee.

M.W. Bro. James H. Caldwell -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Richard Lambert -----Grand Secretary

## MAINE.

95th Annual.

Portland, May 5th, 1914.

Grand Master Elmer P. Spofford presented a brief business-like account of his official act during his second year of office. At the request of Grand Lodge he presented Rt. W. Bro. Stephen Berry, Grand Secretary, with a silver loving cup, in recognition of his 58 years of faithful and devoted service to the Craft.

For 35 years he assisted his father, who was elected Grand Secretary in 1856. Upon the death of his father in 1891 he succeeded to the office of Grand Secretary which he has continuously filled with much satisfaction to the present time.

Grand Master Spofford ruled that Lodge funds could not be used for the purchase of a Past Master's jewel.

He says: Lodge funds created by dues and assessments levied against and collected from its members, are trust funds and are held by the Lodge for the purpose of defraying the ordinary, usual and necessary expenses of the Lodge and for the relief of the sick, the poor or the distressed, and of widows and orphans. No part of such funds can properly be diverted to any other use or expended for any other purpose.

The Annual Address is concluded by quoting the following beautiful words of Charles W. Moore a noted Masonic jurist:

"Masonry is indeed an universal institution. History does not furnish a parallel. It exists where Christianity has not gone; and its claims will be respected even where the superior claims of religion would fail. It is never obscured by the darkness of night. The eye of day is always upon it. Its footprints are to be traced in the most distant regions and in the remotest ages of the earth. Among all civilized peoples, and in all Christianized lands, its existence is recognized. Unaffected by the tempests of war, the storms of persecution, or the denunciations of fanaticism, it still stands proudly erect in the sunshine and clear light of heaven, with not a marble fractured, not a pillar fallen. It still stands, like some patriarchal monarch of the forest, with its vigorous roots riveted to the soil, and its broad limbs spread in broad outline against the sky; and in generations yet to come, as in ages past, the sunlight of honor and renown will delight to linger and play amid its venerable branches. And if ever, in the Providence of God, lashed by the storm and riven by the lightning, it



shall totter to its fall, around its trunk will the ivy of filial affection that has so long clasped it, still cling, and mantle with greenness and verdure its ruin and decay."

The Grand Secretary's Report shows 203 chartered Lodges and 2 under dispensations with a total membership of 30,294.

The gain is 422 or 1.41 per cent of the membership.

The death rate is 19.215 to a thousand.

The average Lodge membership is 147.77.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that recognition be granted to the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands and refused to the Grand Lodge of Egypt. Their report was adopted by Grand Lodge.

The Committee in Grievances and Appeals reported that nothing had been presented for their consideration.

Congratulations brethren, may it long continue thus.

During the afternoon of the second day the officers of Deering Lodge, Portland, conferred the Master Mason's degree on a candidate in the presence of the Members and visitors of Grand Lodge.

The Trustee of the Charity Fund reported that the funds on hand amounted to \$72,407.22 which yielded an income of nearly \$3,000 annually.

The following amendment was made to their constitution:

"No lodge shall form a public procession, funeral processions and processions for attendance upon divine service, excepted, without permission from the Grand Master. And it is proper, as a mark of respect for the Chief Magistrate of the Nation or State, to permit Lodges to appear in public, either upon occasion of a public reception of him, or of a public mourning for his death."

The Foreign Correspondence Report was prepared by Bro. Albro E. Chase. Alberta for 1912 and 1913 were briefly reviewed.

M.W. Bro. Thomas H. Bodge -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Stephen Berry -----Grand Secretary

## MISSISSIPPI.

96th Annual.

Meridian, Feb. 17th, 1914.

At 10 o'clock a.m., Most Worshipful Bro. Benjamin V. White as Master of Ceremonies called to order a large number of Brethren and citizens of Meridian and their ladies in the Court House of Landerdale County, when a program of vocal and instrumental music, together with an address of welcome from Rt. W. Bro. Hon. A. B. Amis, and an address of welcome from Mrs. Lottie M. Armstead, Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star were enjoyed by all present. The Deputy Grand Master responded to the addresses.

At 11 o'clock a.m. Grand Lodge was opened in Ample Form in the Master Mason's Degree, by M.W. Bro. Alfred H. Bays, Grand Master. Thirteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Three corner stones were laid, five new Lodges formed and six Lodges constituted during the year. Owing to the illness of the Grand Master, he was unable to visit many Lodges.

The greatest number of Degrees conferred by a private Lodge was 105. Forty-three Lodges conferred 1,506 Degrees, and three hundred and six Lodges conferred 2,101 Degrees, making a total of 3,607 degrees conferred by 349 Lodges.

The Committee on the State of the Craft, sent a circular letter to each subordinate Lodge, containing important questions, relative to the condition of each Lodge. Some of the answers are significant: Thirty Lodges reported less than eight stated meetings during the year, and a similar number reported an average attendance of less than ten at these meetings. One hundred and fifty Lodges reported their membership as growing; forty-eight Lodges report stationary; thirty-five Lodges report declining.

In reply to the question, How is your charter kept? seventy Lodges report: Framed and hung in Lodge Room; sixty-five report, in possession of the Master; sixty Lodges report as being in the Secretary's desk; and thirty-five Lodges report in various other ways.

The Brethren of Mississippi mourn the departure of Past Grand Master W.M. Conner, a devoted and loyal leader of the Craft in that Jurisdiction.

The Board of Managers of the Masonic Home report having spent \$17,163.25 during the year. Of this amount there was spent: for support (food and clothing), \$10,682.63; for salaries and help \$2,890.06. On January 1st, 1914, the number in the Home was 110. All attend school except ten, who are too young. A per capita tax of \$1.00 is levied for the support of the Masonic Home.

The following timely resolution was passed:

"Resolved, That nomination speeches be limited to the naming of the Candidate and office for which nominated."

Later in the proceedings we read that Past Grand Master W. A. Roane, moved to reconsider the motion, to only name candidates, and that three minutes be allowed for nomination speeches which was adopted.

Two hundred and twenty-one pages of the printed Proceedings contain a complete list of the officers and members of each of the 358 Chartered Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by O. L. McKay, P.G.M. We welcome Bro. McKay to the Guild. His initial report is evidence of the fact that he is a worthy successor to Bro. H. T. Howard. He disapproves of requiring Lodges to secure a dispensation from the Grand Master before attending Divine Service. In this we heartily concur.

M.W. Bro. Robert A. Carson -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Fred G. Speed -----Grand Secretary

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## MICHIGAN.

70th Annual.

Flint, May 26th, 1914.

Grand Lodge was welcomed to the City of Flint in a neat speech delivered by Worshipful Brother J. R. McDonald, Mayor of the City.

R.W. Bro. William M. Perrett, Deputy Grand Master and Acting Grand Master, replied to the Address of Welcome.

On account of the death of Grand Master Francis D. Clarke after serving three months of his term, Bro. Perrett became Acting Grand Master and filled out the remaining nine months of the year.

Immediately following these 'introductory ceremonies the Grand Secretary proceeded to call the "Roll of Honor" which included a complete list of the deceased Past Grand Masters, their year of office and the date of their death.

Eugene S. Weston, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, paid a fraternal visit to the Grand Lodge and was received with the private Grand Honors.

Past Grand Master Dillon and the Acting Grand Master visited Alexandria, Va., to be present at a conference of Grand Masters and their representatives to discuss and arrange plans for the completion of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

"First—The object of this Association shall be the collection of a fund to erect and maintain a suitable Masonic Memorial to George Washington, in the form of a Temple in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, provided that at least one floor therein be set apart forever as a Memorial Hall, to be under the control of the several Grand Jurisdictions in the United States of America, members of this Association.

"Second—To provide a place where the several Grand Jurisdictions, members of said Association, may perpetuate, in imperishable form, the memory and achievements of the men whose distinguished services, zealous attachment, and unswerving fidelity to the principles of our institution merit particular and lasting reward; to create, foster and diffuse a more intimate, fraternal spirit, understanding and intercourse between the several Grand Jurisdictions and Sovereign Grand Bodies throughout the United States and her Insular possessions, members of this Association; to cherish, maintain and extend the wholesome influence and example of our illustrious dead.

Grand Lodge voted the sum of Five Thousand Dollars to be appropriated from the General Fund and paid to this Association in five yearly installments of One Thousand Dollars each.

The Acting Grand Master pays this tribute to the Order of the Eastern Star:—

"The Eastern Star is growing, and deservedly so. Where its chapters are organized, interest in Masonry is quickened,

and men seem more zealous when they see the interest of their wives, sisters and sweethearts in the work and mysteries of the Eastern Star."

The Grand Master recommended that a limit of expense of \$100 be placed on private Lodges when directed by a Lodge of a neighboring Jurisdiction to care for its sick or bury its dead without specifying the amount to be expended.

This was done to obviate the possibility of a dispute when a settlement takes place.

The Grand Lodge of Michigan adopted a report from the Finance Committee making it compulsory on all constituent Lodges to carry insurance against loss by fire on their buildings, property and paraphernalia to the amount of 80% of their value, and to report annually to Grand Lodge the amount of insurance so carried and the value of all buildings owned by them.

The total membership of this Grand Lodge is 74,964; the number of active Lodges being 428.

Grand Secretary Lou B. Winsor is Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. He is instructed by Grand Lodge to refrain from criticism of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges as well as promulgating his opinion upon decisions, laws and regulations of his own or any other Grand Lodge. His report is complete and covers 260 pages of the printed proceedings.

M.W. Bro. William M. Perrett -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor -----Grand Secretary

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## MINNESOTA.

61st Annual.

St. Paul, Wed., Jan. 21st, 1914.

The address of Grand Master W. Hayes Laird is of the usual type—brief and business-like, with no flights of eloquence. He constituted three Lodges; laid three corner stones of Masonic Temples; instructed the Grand Secretary to forward Five Hundred Dollars to the Grand Treasurer of Ohio, to aid those who suffered loss of property by flood and fire; recommended that One Hundred Dollars be contributed to the funds of the George Washington

Masonic National Memorial Association. He also recommended that where there is no definite understanding as to the amount of money to be expended in the care of a deceased Brother either of another Lodge within the Jurisdiction or from Foreign Jurisdictions, the expense should not exceed One Hundred Dollars and added transportation where necessary.

The Brethren of Minnesota are looking forward to the erection of a Masonic Home and have already \$35,000 collected for that purpose. They have wisely resolved that the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars must be secured before any expenditures can be made for the location and construction of such Home.

An appropriation of One Thousand Dollars was made for the purchase of eight Past Grand Master's Jewels.

The address of Bro. Rev. Frank Doran delivered at the meeting of this Grand Lodge is an admirable one. His subject was "The World's Three Greatest Maxims."

"First, from the Greek Socrates, 'Know thyself.'  
Second, the Roman Marcus Aurelius, 'Control thyself.'  
Third, Jesus of Nazareth, 'Deny thyself.'"

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by Bro. Irving Todd. It is brief, but full of useful information.

M.W. Bro. Robert E. Denfield-----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. John Fishel-----Grand Secretary

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## NEW JERSEY.

127th Annual.

Trenton, April 22nd, 1914.

Four Emergent Communications were held during the year; two for the purpose of constituting Lodges and installing officers, and two for the purpose of laying the corner stones of public libraries.

Grand Master Fred E. Tilden had to consider 212 petitions for waivers of Territorial Jurisdiction during his year of office. From the long list of visitations made by the Grand Master, we observe that he had been most active in the discharge of his official duties.

He attended eight Lodges of Instruction.

He recommended that a time limit of six months be set in which a dimit must be filed in order to perfect membership in a Lodge, by a petitioner for affiliation, whose petition has been accepted.

He issued an edict prohibiting Masonic Communication between members of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey and members of a clandestine Lodge working under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Italy. He recommended an appropriation of Three Hundred Dollars to the Finance Committee as compensation for services. They met every three months and audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, and Masonic Home Committee.

The membership on January 1st, 1914, was 38,674. The net gain is 2,025, the largest in any one year in the history of the Grand Lodge.

Action was deferred on the request for recognition and exchange of Representatives by the Grand Lodge of the Philippines and the National Grand Lodge of Egypt, and accorded to the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

The Grand Instructor and his Deputies exemplified the esoteric work of the three degrees and the opening and closing ceremonies of the Lodge.

A motion authorizing the adoption of chain collars for the use of Grand Lodge officers was sanctioned, as well as one ordering that Subordinate Lodges may use white linen aprons in lieu of lambskin as they may deem fit in their discretion.

Grand Lodge ordered that the sum of \$24,000 in the general account of Grand Lodge and \$9,000 in the Grand Charity Fund be applied towards the cost of the proposed \$40,000 addition to the Masonic Home. There are 98 inmates at present in the Home.

W. Bro. Robert A. Shirrefs is author of the Foreign Correspondence Report. It includes a review of the eight German Grand Lodges. The statistics of these eight Grand Lodges on St. John's Day, 1913, show a total of 544 Lodges—59,489 active and 6,271 honorary members.

In view of the bitterness and hatred now existing by Germany towards England, the following is significant:

A special communication of Royal York Grand Lodge was called at Berlin on May 8th, 1913, to receive and entertain the visiting Brethren of the Grand Lodge of England.

With eloquent words of welcome, Grand Master Wagner received M.W. Pro-Grand Master Lord Ampthill and the delegation from England. We quote of his address the following extract:

"It affords me a great honor and pleasure to greet you also in Royal York's home. You come to us not as strangers. Upon your entrance, you beheld at once the portraits of two of your noble countrymen, who were prominent members of our Lodge a century ago, the Duke of York, who, alas, died in young years, and the other, the Duke of Essex, who lived a long and richly blessed life as Grand Master of English Freemasonry, who took with them to their own country the knowledge and experience which they achieved, and there maintained the same. Today we continue to tie the band of union, a work interrupted almost a century ago. A thought awakens in us the deepest mysteries of Freemasonry and worthy of the present festivity. It was your desire to witness this evening work in the Fellow Craft Degree; you will observe labor which forms the transfer from the first mysterious beginning of our inner life to its perfection. We encounter three mysteries which must be understood in order to qualify ourselves for the right Masonic life, the three mysteries of the origin of life, of progress in life and of eternal fulfillment. How the higher life originates in the individual—that you have seen symbolically two days ago. Today you will notice the progress and growth as demonstrated in accordance with our theory of instruction. In our temple devoted to Deity, the individual shall be a well-fit and perfect stone. After the work with the common gavel has been done, the work of joining the stones together begins, and this will be done today. What is my position amongst my brethren? I must remain what I have been, and must continue to strive for perfection. This I can do, only, if I recognize the justice of my brethren, controlling my egotism and endeavor to understand my brethren as I would be appreciated and understood by them, and to endure and excuse their weakness and facilities, knowing that I am not without faults. Whenever, in my power, I endeavor to be of use to them and to lead their pathway in life, also to gain the blessing of their friendship. Thus we reach the true toleration which we are permitted to regard as the flower of humanity. The relations between individuals, as represented here, can be extended to the whole human society



and especially to the intercourse of all nations. It is our greatest wish and most deeply felt desire to enter with you into such relations which will exclude every misunderstanding, which will unite us in a great league, fighting all that is unholy and vulgar, and never losing sight of our ultimate aim—everlasting peace between nations. Let this be the fruit of our F. C. labor today, to which the blazing star may light our way.”

Of Lord Ampthill's reply we quote the following:

“Your eloquent words, M.W. Grand Master, made a deep impression upon us. You had the kindness to express your innermost thoughts and highest ideals. Your remarks recalled to my mind the golden words of your late Emperor Frederick: ‘Two maxims are characteristic of all efforts, liberty of conscience and toleration; let us adhere to them with our entire strength.’ The beautiful sentiments which you have expressed about human toleration have our approval in every respect, and the final ideal for which you strive, is the same, that we English Freemasons are every ready with you to struggle and work for. May I point out that the historic connection to which you alluded in such a pleasant way has been renewed through the personal and domestic ties which unites your Protector with our Grand Master. We may now jointly continue the journey which we, under similar circumstances, but less promising auspices, entered a century ago.”

M.W. Bro. Charles P. Russ-----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Benjamin F. Wakefield-----Grand Secretary

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### NEW YORK.

133rd Annual.

May 5th, 1914.

M.W. Bro. Charles Smith, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York, in his annual address makes the following reference to the Masonic Employment Bureau of that Organization:—

“Through careful and painstaking management we now have a bureau worthy of the name, demonstrating that Masonry is eminently practical in all of its ideals. During the fiscal year just ended more than 225 men, women and children were placed in positions, the earning power of which is estimated

at \$155,000 annually. Business conditions generally are said to be not as bright as in the previous year, and many industries instead of engaging, were compelled to discharge or lay off a number of employees. In view of this situation, together with the statement that there are more than 200,000 idle men and women in this city, the bureau has accomplished more this year, and its record of service exceeds that of last. That these results were obtained is ample evidence of the untiring efforts and energy of the management. The Masonic Employment Bureau is here to stay, and its success depends almost as much on the moral and physical support of the Fraternity as the financial assistance of the Grand Lodge. Brethren who are desirous of helping deserving Brother Masons to help themselves and to maintain their families in comfort and respectability can accomplish much by using the bureau, in the first instance, rather than other channels, or the medium of a newspaper."

The Grand Secretary's report shows the total receipts for the year to be \$228,575.73 and the present membership 186,179. There are 826 active Lodges.

The Utica Home shelters 454 members and is the pride of the New York Brethren.

This Grand Lodge has a Library of 8,932 volumes which is estimated to be worth \$45,000.

The Committee on Grievances reported that such harmony has prevailed during the past Masonic year that no matter has been brought before it for consideration.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by a committee of three skilled Brethren. In their introductory remarks they state:—

"The work of this committee is a hard and exacting task, but it has its joys and its benefits; in fact, all Masonic work benefits the worker, if approached in the right spirit. We should enter the Temple of Masonry as we enter the temples of worship. There is in it, as in them, an unseen presiding spirit, which transforms all, and gives to everything a color and a shape, bringing us nearer and nearer to the divine.

"In the Capella Di San Sisto, at Rome, you feel as in the presence of Michael Angelo. From floor to ceiling there are the visible touches of his invisible spirit; from arch to roof one mind animates all, inspires all. So, in the Temple of

Masonry, there is one spirit which permeates all and inspires all. Moses with the divine law, David with the inspired Psalms, Solomon with his builders, prophets with their prophecy of a second temple greater than the first, the Master of all, with his parable of labor and its reward, all, all joined together in one Great Spirit, the Spirit of Masonry.

"Within its sacred portals we find the altar, with its inspired Word, the lesson and guide of life; the square, with its suggestion for the shaping of character, the compass, which circles life and thought, and the ark, with its promise of a covenant between God and man.

"These are the symbols of the highest, the noblest and best things that can influence the mind, and these symbols of truth have attested their value for centuries, and more than ever today, in this our enlightened twentieth century.

"And should ever the spirit of darkness, of bigotry and prejudice raise his infernal and reactionary head anywhere, or in any way, the Masonic Fraternity can be relied upon to act as the bulwark of light, liberty and reason."

M.W. Bro. George Freifeld.....Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Edward M. L. Ehlers.....Grand Secretary

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## NEW ZEALAND.

25th Annual.

Christchurch, May 13th, 1914.

This Grand Lodge has 196 active Lodges, with an aggregate membership of 13,209.

The report of the Board of Benevolence shows that £452 6s 2d was paid to the widows of deceased Masons and aged Brethren. Three special circular appeals to the private Lodges were made by the Board during the year for needy cases, and the Brethren responded generously.

The capital value of the Annuity Fund is now £22,634 6s 8d, and the income this year from the fund is about £910.

The total funds of this Grand Lodge have grown from £72 in 1891, to the handsome sum of £31,934 in 1914.

This Grand Lodge mourns the loss of two distinguished members who have served the craft for half a century: Past Grand Master Bro. Alfred H. Burton and Rt. Wor. Bro. Robert C. Hannah, Past Deputy Grand Master.

The method of constituting new Lodges in this Jurisdiction is as follows: A petition bearing the signatures of the requisite number of petitioners is presented to the Grand Master, who forwards the same to the Board of General Purposes for consideration. The decision of the Board is reported to the Grand Master, and, if favorable, he grants a Charter and constitutes the Lodge.

In February, the Dominion of New Zealand was visited by M. Wor. Bro. Dr. Carruthers, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales, and the distinguished visitor was entertained in the cities of Auckland and Wellington by Grand Lodge representatives.

The concluding words of the address of M.W. Bro. J. Dougall, the newly installed Grand Master, are worthy of a place in our review:—

“And now, Brethren, let me say a few words regarding Masonry in general. Since the inauguration of Constitutional Freemasonry two hundred years ago, the Craft has steadily maintained an unbroken record of dauntless perseverance in disseminating Masonic ideals. No secular institution on the face of the earth has preserved its original objects so immutably as has Freemasonry. The aims, principles, ideals, discipline, and procedure of today are as they were centuries ago. Freemasonry has been and still is the pioneer of the highest type of civilization. Equality and Fraternity are its watchwords. Within the doors of the Lodge prince and peasant meet on a common level. Merit, and merit alone, is the passport to its privileges. Distinctions of social rank are abolished. It seeks to ameliorate the condition of the humble and lowly. It impresses upon the mighty the duty and obligation of the brotherhood of man. It fosters liberty and justice. It demands virtue, respect, and honorable conduct from its votaries. Its influence is felt in every quarter of the globe, and that influence is invariably directed in the preservation of law, order, and sound government. Through the ages it has never varied in its ideals. It deals not in politics, and it in no way trenches on religion. But it strives to mitigate or destroy international and internal animosities, and to bring the peoples of the earth into closer and more harmonious communion with each other. It is a world power, whose object is peace and goodwill among men. It seeks not individual aggrandisement, but

endeavors to sow the seeds of Faith, Hope, and Charity, brotherly love, relief, and truth, to spread the mantle of benignity, and aid man towards a nobler conception of the duty that man owes to man.

"Freemasonry labors to elevate the mind, enlighten the soul, and institute an era of brotherly toleration. It endeavors to awaken the intelligence and broaden the view, to fill up the hollows and pitfalls that catch the feet of the unwary, and compel man to treat his fellow, no matter how humble he may be, as a sentient being born in the image of the Immortal Creator. A great social unrest is agitating the mind of man throughout the world, and never has the beneficent and ameliorating influence of Masonic principle been more needed than is the case at the present time. The evolution of humanity is proceeding more and more rapidly, men are striving for a higher plane of existence and for greater equality of opportunity. Human aspiration is soaring higher and higher. It is pulsating with new life and new ideas, and in the consequent struggle many hard things are being said and done. Would that all men could do the social movements of the day with the disciplined equanimity of the Freemason. Would that Freemasonry could plant its faith in the family guidance of the Most High, its hope of the ultimate regeneration of mankind and its sanctifying charity of speech, of thought, and of action in every human breast. Then indeed would the doors of the millenium open, and men would realize the Masonic ideal that this great world of ours is one huge cosmopolity founded on the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man."

Excellent photos of the four principle Officers of Grand Lodge appear in the proceedings.

The reports of the Provincial Grand Masters are complete and full of interest. Lectures are frequently given by competent Brethren. Neighboring Lodges exchange visits and work. Good work is being done by the Masters and Past Master's Lodges. Prosperity and harmony is general.

The lecture on the "Mission of Freemasonry" by Brother Bridge, Grand Lecturer, is an excellent one. We make the following excerpts:—

"What, then, are Freemasons doing as a body and as individuals to forward the real work of Freemasonry? It must be confessed that the majority are not doing all that they might do. Where a large percentage of the Brethren fail

to be of real assistance to the cause, or mission, of Freemasonry, is in their apathy towards, or their ignorance of, the duty which is theirs to ever keep the Masonic tenets and principles by their bearing and conduct before the eyes of society. Put briefly, they do not exert the influence among others which they might, and ought to do. The average Freemason would seem to be content to feel that he is a better man because of his association with Freemasonry, and to be quite prepared to be a regular attendant at his Lodge meetings, to enjoy the social afterpart and then depart and think little or nothing more about it, till next meeting comes around. But this is Freemasonry only in name. Earnest consideration of this condition of affairs would probably lead to the conclusion that it was due to at least two causes: in the first place, injudicious selection of candidates, and in the second place, to the absence from the syllabus of the proceedings of Lodges in general of any organized system of instruction in Masonic matters outside the ritual itself.

Let us consider for a moment the first point—the selection of candidates. Good character is, of course, an essential qualification, and let it be conceded at once that, knowingly, no Brother would propose for membership any person wanting in that respect. But good character alone is not sufficient for the great purposes of the institution. It ought to be accompanied by definite and reasonable intellectual attributes, and by a temperamental disposition towards a just and proper reverence for things sacred, and the serious side of life generally. It is not quantity in the matter of new members which is required, but quality—quality of heart and of mind. Then, as to the second point, a properly organized system of Masonic construction outside that of the Ritual. Is it not a fact beyond question that it is the rarest thing to hear a Masonic paper or address at the Lodge meeting? Degree working monopolizes all the time and all the energies of the W.M. and his Officers, and to its exigencies everything else must be sacrificed. Yet there is no need for this; and, more, it may be suggested that it is quite mistaken procedure. Few, if any, experienced Freemasons would affirm the principle of rapid Masonic advancement. On the contrary, the general verdict of these Brethren would be that newly admitted Masons are not sufficiently retarded in their progress upwards, with the result that, in the great majority of cases, that which is quickly and easily attained, is correspondingly deprived of its due value and importance. Even our beautiful Ritual suffers as the result of constant and monotonous repetition as “ever-recurring” reiteration, Lodge meeting after Lodge meeting is apt

to become an undue strain upon the Brethren. Whereas, varied by occasional Masonic literary or oratorical interludes, the tension would be relieved, the ceremonial gain fresh attraction and impressiveness, and the Brethren themselves would be afforded some real education as to Masonic ideals, objects, and aspirations.

For, after all, these are the real things which count. Because, unless the Freemason is so instructed, and by his instruction led to seek and enquire for himself, he may be a good man, an excellent Brother, true and trusty, but still be only a drone in the Masonic hive. At our initiation we have all of us accepted a great trust and a great responsibility in the matter of this mission of Freemasonry. Let us see to it that we do our best towards its fulfilment in our own persons, and so help in the spreading abroad among men of those our great principles—brotherly love, relief, and truth."

Owing to the death of Bro. Burton, P.G.M., and Chairman of the Foreign Correspondence Committee, and also the passing away of Bro. Munro, his successor in office, the Review is incomplete. Alberta, 1913, is included, and the important events noted.

In the review of one of the German Grand Lodges our Brother states:—

"One gratifying feature of the reports from the subordinate Lodges was the number of lectures. In 21 of the Lodges no less than 251 lectures during the year, one Lodge led the way with 40 lectures, and another with 35. Some of the subjects mentioned were: 'German Pioneers in the Wild West,' 'Why I Am No More a Catholic Priest,' 'Canada,' and 'Socialism and Freemasonry.'"

M.W. Bro. John Joseph Dougall.....Grand Master  
M.W. Bro. Malcolm Niccol.....Grand Secretary

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## NEBRASKA.

57th Annual.

Omaha, June 9th, 1914.

Eight corner stones of public buildings were laid by M.W. Bro. Alpha Morgan or his representative during his year of office. He

constituted two Lodges and installed their officers, and issued dispensations to form seven new Lodges.

A special medal worn by Past Grand Master Hayes was, at his death, presented by the Grand Master to Brother Hiram Brown, the oldest Master Mason in the Jurisdiction. He received his degrees in 1850.

We quote the concluding remarks of Bro. Morgan's very practical address:—

"I cannot close without referring to the spirit that dominates the Lodge room as the mainspring of Masonry. The Grand Lodge is the reflex of the subordinate Lodge. Let brotherly love prevail there and then every moral and social virtue will be found cemented in the brotherhood of the Grand Lodge. Our interest for good ought not to be confined to the Lodge room, nor to our own membership. We owe an active duty to humanity—not a passive one. One that must lay hold of the emotions of men and be dynamic in its expressions of good-will towards all. Such a duty to all will bring to us the consolation of having fulfilled the mission which a membership of twenty-two thousand Master Masons ought to assume.

"We are today living in a formative age. Civil government in state and nation alike is seeking regeneration. The thought of today is for better social conditions, a fairer distribution of the results of toil. The desire of the present expression of discontent would be realization if the teachings of Masonry as exemplified in our Lodge rooms were applied to the practical problems of life. The fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man in the past have not existed only in the imagination. They wrought the present state of civilization. Masonry by induction has expressed itself in our laws for the betterment of human conditions.

"The five perfect points of entrance to Masonic life have reached out and laid hold of the life of our state and nation, until today the four cardinal virtues of Freemasonry are the measures whereby we take stock of public men. The yesterday of civilization expresses the law of reason tempered by justice. The tomorrow will express the justice of civic government tempered with brotherly love, relief, and truth. In this tomorrow we will consciously or unconsciously play our part in the production of life's harmony.



"In the Lodge room the spirit of Fraternity eliminates the inequality of birth and environment; there the strong protect the weak, those favored by fortune assist those less favored, and those who push, aid those who lag behind in life's race. To make this spirit of fraternity permeate the civil walks of life and incite the desires of men for better things, is the enlarged mission of Freemasonry today, and to make our Order a vital living force for the advancement of the virtues of mankind to the end that humanity may enjoy better things along all just lines of human development, furnishing to all the equality which a freedom and liberty loving people possess, is a mission well worth our utmost effort.

"In the past the spirit of Masonry has been the candle to civil liberty, lighting its faltering pathway step by step until it has attained its present perfection. In the readjustment of civic conditions, if this spirit can dominate the age we are entering, the present generation will write the brightest page of this world's history, and it is in this spirit we bow our heads and wait for the splendor of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man to cross the threshold."

On January 1st, 1914, the number of residents of the Masonic Home was twenty men, seventeen women, two boys and five girls, total, forty-four. The cost of maintaining a resident for the year 1913 was \$265.36.

The present membership of this Grand Lodge is 21,122, a net gain of 978 during the year.

The Grand Master asked the Grand Lodge to rise during the reading of the report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead, and the report concluded with a suitable prayer.

This Grand Lodge placed itself on record as being absolutely and unalterably opposed to any movement or program seeking the establishment of a General Grand Lodge.

We have pleasure in quoting the last two paragraphs of Bro. Shepherd's admirable address on "Brotherhood and Immortality":—

"Man's most superb endowment is immortality—the granting of eternity in which to revel in the memory of love's toil here and in love's opportunity yonder, unhindered by death and time.

"Nothing renders man so surpassingly regal as the consciousness that his spiritual heart-beats can never be stilled by the power of death; that living once in the surpassing brotherhood of service means that he shall live forever.

"The paltry baubles of earthly thrones are nothing; the vast sway of this world's gilded majesty can never reach the confines of his dominions. Greater than the boasting Caesars and their tribunes, loftier than the glory of high-reared capitol, richer than the splendor of all other achievements, he has attained Brotherhood and Immortality.

#### **"World Responsibility.**

"Last, a world occupancy implies for our Order and for all men the breadth and honor of a world opportunity and thus of a world responsibility. There are belated ones waiting yet for the messages we must carry. There are children to be set free from their chains at the world's looms. There are battle blades to be sheathed, angry cannon to be silenced, banners of universal peace to be unfurled. There are men and nations which are yet wandering in the darkness of individualism. The light which has come to us must be reflected on to them.

"Masonry was born into the widening chivalry of human brotherhood for a day like this; and can well afford to stretch forth its strong hands in help to toiling childhood—in defense of enslaved womanhood—and in stern protest against any ancient wrongs, which slow dying seek still the overthrow of liberty and democracy with the resetting of the old thrones of greed and selfishness.

"There hung for long years on the arched walls of a castle in Europe a strangely formed harp which a wayworn pilgrim had hung there long ago. Many had tried to bring music from its heart, but all in vain, until one afternoon a wanderer from a far-off land craved shelter at the castle gates. In the evening in the great hall he saw the instrument upon the wall, and with swift eagerness dusted the silent strings—and then from under his hand of skill wondrous harmonies came to thrill all who heard. The warriors said his face was an angel's as he played, and on the bronzed cheek of knight-hood tears were seen.

"On the walls of centuries, long silent strings wait still the harper's skill; he alone can bring harmony from them who is of the brotherhood of service. Having entered into that

comradeship we are to be content only when sending on the radiant melody we have learned, to those who never heard.

"The response from listening hunger will be given in valiant heroism, in swift stepping progress, in heartfelt generosity, in reverential worship at the altars of truth."

Initiatory steps are being taken by this Grand Lodge to provide a home for the dependent children of Masons in Nebraska, and the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars was appropriated for that purpose.

A brief Correspondence Report is presented by Bro. Charles J. Phelps. Alberta was not included in the list.

M.W. Bro. Thomas M. Davis.....Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Francis E. White.....Grand Secretary

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#### NORTH CAROLINA.

127th Annual.

Raleigh, Jan. 13th, 1914.

The Grand Secretary's report last year showed 408 active Lodges. Three new Lodges were chartered this year and nine were granted dispensations. The present membership is 22,879, a net increase of 665 during the year.

\$11,500 of the indebtedness towards the Masonic Temple has been paid during the year. At this rate the entire debt will be wiped out in six years.

Grand Master John T. Alderman followed the precedent set by his predecessor and made a pilgrimage to the tomb of Joseph Montford of Halifax, the first and only Colonial Grand Master of America.

This Grand Lodge is introducing the card system as the most satisfactory means of keeping the records of the subordinate Lodges, by the Grand Secretary.

The Brethren of North Carolina are justly proud of their Orphan Asylum. 322 children are well cared for in this Institution; only one death (resulting from an abscess on the lungs) occurred during the year. The per capita cost was \$94.01.

The annual State appropriation was raised in 1913 from \$10,000 to \$20,000. There is now no minimum age limit and steps are being taken to accommodate 30 additional orphan children.

An appropriation of \$500 was made to be used for treatment of indigent tubercular Masons during the present year and a committee appointed to raise funds for an endowment to be used for treatment at the State Sanitarium at Montrose of indigent Masons afflicted with this fatal disease.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence makes the following significant statement regarding Masonic Homes:

"In many jurisdictions costly homes for widows and orphans and indigent Masons are maintained at a very high per capita cost. Very many other jurisdictions are accumulating endowment funds for the erection and maintenance of such homes in the future. There are however, in the United States, and notably in the British Colonial Grand Lodges, many of them which are averse to the erection of Homes and pursue the well-tried plan of building benevolent funds, the income of which is ample to provide for every worthy case of need. The machinery for the management and distribution of the income of benevolent funds is simpler and cheaper than that of the institutional plan, and has the supreme advantage of keeping the beneficiaries in touch with the general craft. Those Grand Lodges, who practice this plan, are so well pleased with it that they do not contemplate making a change and it seems from the records that economy and efficiency are subserved."

Bro. Jno. A. Collins, Chairman of the Committee submitted a review of the proceedings of Sister Jurisdictions. His many years' experience has eminently fitted him for this important duty. His quotations are carefully selected and his criticisms well sustained. We hope our good brother may be long spared to continue the work so well executed by him.

M.W. Bro. John T. Alderman -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. John C. Drewry -----Grand Secretary

## OHIO.

105th Annual.

Columbus, Oct. 21st, 1914.

The Grand Master in his address alluded to the mighty conflict going on in Europe, and recommended that the Grand Lodge prepare itself to extend relief.

He refused to grant a dispensation to form a Lodge to a number of brethren who could not secure the consent of the Lodges whose jurisdiction would be affected.

The charter of one Lodge was suspended, because the Secretary of the Lodge, a young and inexperienced man had been persuaded to withhold the Lodge's Annual Report so as to prevent the Master of the Lodge from securing his per diem and mileage as a member of the Grand Lodge. The charter was afterwards restored on the promise of the members to certain conditions.

The Grand Lodge adopted the following resolution, "that no Master-elect of a Lodge shall be eligible to installation as such until he shall have received the Degree of Past Master, or under the auspices of a chapter of Royal Arch Masons."

M.W. Bro. Nelson Williams in 164 pages gives the news of the Masonic world, and in his summing up says:

"This, then, is the conclusion of the whole matter: A marvelous increase in Lodge membership; peace and harmony prevailing in all Grand Jurisdictions, and between all the Masonic Grand Lodges of the world, except between Mississippi and New Jersey, and a slight disturbance between Massachusetts and California; a continued agitation of the liquor question, with the assumption of authority on the part of many Grand Lodges to legislate on the subject; legislation in some Grand Lodges prohibiting smoking in Lodge rooms during work; a perceptible letting down on the strict physical perfection requirement heretofore existing in several of the Grand Jurisdictions; a continuation of the effort of Grand Lodges to dictate to Subordinate Lodges in matters of which we believe they should be the sole judges, and a slight extension of the documentary evidence fad.

"If the Addresses of Grand Masters can be relied on, the wonderful increase in numbers is not lowering the standard of excellence of the membership, but we fear that the desire for numbers is causing our doors to open too easily, and that the result will be quantity and not quality."

George L. Marshall -----Grand Master  
J. H. Bromwell -----Grand Secretary

## OREGON.

64th Annual.

Portland, June 10th, 1914.

Nine Special Communications were held during the year. The Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges were received and welcomed immediately after the opening of Grand Lodge.

Three Lodges were constituted and seven instituted during the year.

The present membership of this Grand Lodge is 13,260, a net gain of 943 for the year.

A delegation from the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, visited Grand Lodge while at refreshment and presented their respects to the Grand Master and the best wishes of the Order which they represented.

Two Past Grand Masters from this Grand Jurisdiction were present at the Conference of Grand Masters held at St. Louis, Missouri. A resolution was introduced by these brethren to adopt a plan for a permanent organization, but it was strenuously opposed by a large majority of the delegates and declared lost by the presiding officer.

The Grand Secretary presented his twentieth annual report. He deserves the best thanks of the brethren of Oregon for the neat methodical manner in which his annual report of the proceedings of Grand Lodge is compiled.

Bro. David P. Mason presents a very interesting report of the doings of Sister Jurisdictions.

M.W. Bro. William C. Bristol -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Jas. F. Robinson -----Grand Secretary

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OKLAHOMA.

6th Annual.

McAlester, February 11th, 1914.

The frontispiece of the proceedings for 1914 is a picture of the Grand Master, William Perry Freeman, and a history of his career shows him to have been 66 years a Freeman, and 31 years a Freemason.

He reported attending the Conference of Grand Masters at Indianapolis.

Nine emergent Communications of Grand Lodge were held to lay corner stones, and one to dedicate a hall.

Fourteen dispensations were granted to confer degrees in less than statutory time, though the Grand Master said he did not approve of the degrees being conferred in less than the legal period. He removed from office one District Deputy Grand Master, for misconduct. He counselled the craft against public discussion with opponents of the order.

We learn that the Masonic Home shelters 126 inmates, and the cost per capita is about \$250.00 per annum.

The Grand Secretary reports being at several all night meetings which were a pleasure because of the work done and results accomplished.

As one touch of nature makes all the world kin, we believe you brother.

The Committee on Law and Usage, on the question of documentary evidence as a prerequisite to an examination, were of the opinion, that a Mason should carry his Masonry in his head and in his heart rather than in his pocket, that the character of Masonry carried in one's pocket may be filched or forged, but that carried in his head or heart cannot. But Grand Lodge decided that documentary evidence is a necessary pre requisite to an examination to visit a Lodge.

The mileage and per diem expenses of the representatives to Grand Lodge amounted to \$5,632 00.

Alberta was reviewed for 1913 by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Grand Master -----M.W. Bro. Wm. Perry Freeman, McAlester

Grand Secretary ----M.W. Bro. Wm. Moses Anderson, Oklahoma

## PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

2nd Annual.

Manila, Feb. 3rd, 1914.

This Jurisdiction reports a net gain of forty-one Master Masons which is claimed to be a very creditable showing considering the large number of members who go back to the United States and ask for their dimitts. The returns show a total membership of five hundred Master Masons.

The Grand Master concludes his address with these words:

"In this, the beginning of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, we are as children, looking down the eternal years, blinded by the light of the coming ages, knowing not whither the journey may carry us, but strong in the faith of our Order; fired with the zeal that has carried Masonry round the world, buoyant with the hope that has sustained our pioneer brothers on every soil and in every clime; inspired by an unchanging confidence in the principles of Masonry; made steadfast and unfaltering by the character of the men who are attracted by those principles as the needle responds to the polestar; sustained by a sure reliance upon the leavening quality of that character and its sublime destiny to leaven, in the end, the whole human mass. We carry with us the joyous certainty of youth and the banner of a glorious cause; our hearts beat with exaltation and gratitude to the Grand Master of the Universe for having the opportunity of a century,—that of bringing to this country, a Masonry, regular and non-political."

The ritualistic and esoteric work in use in this Jurisdiction is that of the State of California.

A Monitor is being prepared for the use of the brethren of this Good Jurisdiction. Designs for collars and aprons have been decided upon, and steps being taken to fully equip this youthful Grand Lodge.

Twenty-nine Grand Lodges have accorded fraternal recognition to this Grand Lodge at the date of this annual Convocation.

Bro. Amos G. Bellis, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, presents his first review of eighteen Grand Lodge proceedings.

M.W. Bro. Newton C. Comfort -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Amos G. Bellis -----Grand Secretary



## QUEBEC.

44th Annual.

Montreal, February 11th, 1914.

In a carefully worded address M.W. Bro. John E. Wright reviews his official acts during his year as Grand Master. He refused to issue a dispensation to permit a Lodge to accept a candidate who had lost one limb. He also declined to amend a By-Law providing for the election of all the officers of a Lodge and their nomination at the previous monthly meeting.

He ruled: 1st. That no candidate shall be advanced to the Fellow-Craft or Master Mason's degree, either at a Regular or Emergent Meeting unless his name appears on the summons for the meeting.

2nd. That when a petition is presented to a Lodge, an amendment, "That it lies on the table until next meeting of the Lodge," is in order.

This Grand Lodge has 65 chartered Lodges, with a membership of 7,819, a net increase of 457 during the year.

The total receipts for the year were \$9,767.25, of this amount \$3,847.25 was received for the Permanent Benevolent Fund and \$5,920.00 for the General Fund.

The Committee on Foreign Relations presented the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

"Your Committee to whom was referred a resolution of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, asking, 'that some central representative Masonic Body should be formed with authority to enact laws and take measures binding upon the various Grand Jurisdictions participating,' etc., beg leave to report:

"That it be resolved:

"That this Grand Lodge is unalterably opposed to any movement whatever, wherever originating, in any way calculated to affect the absolute supremacy of any regularly constituted Grand Lodge within the limits of its universally recognized sovereignty, and for this reason, and because of the long sustained struggle of the Grand Lodge of Quebec for absolute Masonic sovereignty within the geographical limits of the Province of Quebec, the Grand Master of the Grand

Lodge of Oregon be courteously and fraternally notified that the Grand Lodge of Quebec declines to be a party to any such movement as that outlined in his circular letter of the 23rd June, 1913, and respectfully asks that this present resolution be placed on record with any and all the correspondence dealing with this remarkable proposition, which it cannot consider in any other light, than that of an attempt to introduce the thin edge of the principle of a General Grand Lodge."

The Foreign Correspondence Report was furnished by M.W. Bro. E. T. D. Chambers. It is replete with valuable information. The true spirit of Freemasonry is so beautifully depicted in the introductory pages of Bro. Chambers' excellent report, that I have quoted therefrom at length:

"In one of his inimitable short stories, "The Other Wise Man," Henry Van Dyke relates, that the Magi who saw the Star in the East and followed it first to Jerusalem and thence to Bethlehem, were to have been accompanied on their journey by one who failed to meet with them at the appointed rendezvous, and so lost the opportunity of being associated with them in their zealous pursuit of Enlightenment and Truth, and in their worship at the Manger Throne. It was the cry of human distress, that on three different occasions had drawn him aside from his quest and had caused him to lose what was to him the great object of his life, the chief desire of his heart. Staying by the wayside to minister to the wants of an apparently dying man, he had arrived in Bethlehem only to find that those whom he was to have accompanied there, had already come and worshipped and presented their gifts and gone away again, and that He whom they had adored had been hurriedly carried away into Egypt. As the story was being told him by a Jewish mother, a loud cry was heard in the street, for Herod's soldiers were engaged in the slaughter of the Innocents. While the young mother crouched in the corner of the room, Artaban, the Other Wise Man, planted himself in the doorway, and as the leader of the murdering soldiers approached, reached out to him one of the precious gems that he had brought with him as an intended gift to "the new-born King," saying, 'This is in order that I may be left in peace.' The life of the babe was saved, but Artaban was farther than ever from the object of his search. And then the story goes on to tell of the further wandering of the Other Wise Man; still bent upon what he had made the great purpose of his existence, sometimes passing through countries where famine lay heavy upon the land and the poor were crying for bread; at others making his dwelling in plague-stricken cities, where the sick were languishing in the bitter companionship of helpless misery. He visited the oppressed and the

afflicted in the gloom of subterranean prisons, and the crowded wretchedness of slave markets, and the weary toil of galley-ships. In all this populous and intricate world of anguish, though he found none to worship, he found many to help. He fed the hungry and clothed the naked, and healed the sick, and comforted the captive. Three-and-thirty years of Artaban's life had thus passed away, and he was still a pilgrim and a seeker after light. Worn and weary and ready to die, but still looking for the King, he had come for the last time to Jerusalem. He had often visited the Holy City before, and had searched all its lanes and crowded hovels and black prisons without finding any trace of the family who had fled from Bethlehem long ago. But it now seemed as if he must make one more effort, and something whispered to him that, at last, he might succeed. 'It was the season of the Passover. The city was thronged with strangers. The children of Israel, scattered in foreign lands, had returned to the Temple for the great feast, and there had been a confusion of tongues in the narrow streets for many days. But on this day a singular agitation was visible in the multitude. The sky was veiled with a portentous gloom. Currents of excitement seemed to flash through the crowd. A secret tide was sweeping them all one way. The clatter of sandals and the soft, thick sounds of thousands of bare feet shuffling over the stones, flowed unceasingly along the street that leads to the Damascus gate. Artaban joined a group of people from his own country, Parthian Jews, who had come up to keep the Passover, and enquired of them the cause of the tumult and where they were going. 'We are going,' they answered, 'to the place called Golgotha, outside the city walls, where there is to be an execution.'

"And as they went on to tell him of the two robbers who were to be crucified, and of the Other One who had called himself 'the King of the Jews,' these last words sounded strangely familiar to Artaban. Could this, he thought, be He who was born in Bethlehem, thirty-three years before, and of Whom he had ever since been in search? What, he said to himself, if I shall find the King at last, in the hands of His enemies, and shall be in time to offer my pearl—my remaining jewel for His ransom before He dies?

"So the old man followed the multitude with slow and painful steps towards the Damascus gate of the city. Just beyond the entrance of the guardhouse, a troop of Macedonian soldiers came down the street, dragging a young girl with torn dress and dishevelled hair. As the Magician paused to look at her with compassion, she broke suddenly from the hands of

her tormentors, and threw herself at his feet, clasping him about the knees. She had seen his white cap and the winged circle on his breast. 'Have pity on me,' she cried, 'and save me, for the sake of the God of Purity. I also am a daughter of the true religion which is taught by the Magi. My father was a merchant of Parthia, but he is dead, and I am seized for his debts to be sold for a slave. Save me from worse than death.' Artaban trembled. It was the old conflict in his soul, which had come to him in the palm-grove of Babylon and in the cottage at Bethlehem,—the conflict between the expectation of faith and the impulse of love. Twice the gift which he had consecrated to the worship of religion had been drawn to the service of humanity. This was the third trial, the ultimate probation, the final and irrevocable choice. Was it his great opportunity or his last temptation? He could not tell. One thing only was clear in the darkness of his mind—it was inevitable. And does not the inevitable come from God? One thing was sure to his divided heart,—to rescue this helpless girl would be a true deed of love. And is not love the light of the soul? He took the pearl from his bosom. Never had it seemed so luminous, so radiant, so full of tender lustre. He laid it in the hand of the slave. 'This is thy ransom, daughter. It is the last of my treasures which I kept for the King.' While he spoke the darkness of the sky deepened, and shuddering tremors ran through the earth, heaving convulsively like the breast of one who struggles with mighty grief. The walls of the houses rocked to and fro. Stones were loosened and crashed into the streets. Dust clouds filled the air. The soldiers fled in terror, reeling drunken men. But Artaban and the girl whom he had ransomed crouched helpless beneath the wall of the Praetorium. What had he to fear? What had he to hope? He had given away the last remnant of his tribute to the King. He had parted with the last hope of finding him. The quest was over, and it had failed. But even in that thought, accepted and embraced, there was peace. It was not resignation. It was not submission. It was something more profound and searching. He knew that all was well, because he had done the best he could from day to day. He had been true to the light that had been given to him. He had looked for more. And he had not found it, if a failure was all that came out of his life, doubtless that was the best that was possible. Even if he could live his earthly life over again, it could not be otherwise than it had been. One more lingering pulsation of the earthquake quivered through the ground.

"A heavy tile shaken from the roof, fell and struck the old man on the temple. He lay breathless and pale, with his

grey head resting on the young girl's shoulder, and the blood trickling from the wound. As she bent over him, fearing that he was dead, there came a voice through the twilight, very small and still, like music, sounding from a distance, in which the notes are clear but the words are lost. The girl turned to see if someone had spoken from the window above them, but she saw no one. Then the old man's lips began to move as if in answer, and she heard him say in the Parthian tongue: 'Not so, my Lord, for when saw I Thee an hungered and fed Thee? Or thirsty and gave Thee drink? When saw I thee a stranger and took Thee in? Or naked and clothed Thee? When saw I thee sick or in prison and came to Thee? Three-and-thirty years have I looked for Thee, but I have never seen Thy face, nor ministered to Thee, my King.' He ceased and the sweet voice came again. And again the maid heard it, very faint and far away. But now it seemed as though she understood the words: 'Verily I say unto Thee, inasmuch as thou hast done it, unto the least of these my brethren, thou hast done it unto Me.' A calm radiance of wonder and joy lighted the pale face of Artaban like the first ray of dawn on a snowy mountain peak. A long breath of relief exhaled gently from his lips. His journey was ended. His treasures were accepted. The Other Wise Man had found the King."

M.W. Bro. John E. Wright -----Grand Master

R.W. Bro. Will H. Whyte -----Grand Secretary

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## RHODE ISLAND

123rd Annual.

Providence, May 18th, 1914.

Grand Master Jno. F. Clark in his annual address for 1913 called the attention of Grand Lodge to the lax observance of the following regulation:

"No Mason shall furnish any information concerning the doings of the Grand Lodge or any subordinate Lodge for publication in any newspaper, or otherwise, except it shall be to the publisher of the Official Organ of the Grand Lodge."

The Committee on the Grand Master's address reported in these words:

"The Committee does not recommend that the regulation be repealed. The doings of the Grand Lodge and of subordinate Lodges are matters properly of interest only to Masons.

They are not matters of common public interest. These publications can result therefore, from no cause other than the desire on the part either of Lodges to advertise their existence in the hope of attracting candidates, or on the part of members of the craft who have been chosen to office, who advertise their preferment in the Order. Such a desire on the part of a Mason is evidence either of personal vanity or of a desire to use Freemasonry for advertising purposes. The Committee considers that such advertisement either on the part of Lodges or of individual Masons is not consonant with the principles of Freemasonry.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands be officially recognized and an exchange of Representatives be made. Grand Lodge however deferred action pending the receipt of information as to the action taken by the Grand Lodge of California.

The number of members on April 30th, 1914, was 8,833, a net increase of 373 during the year.

The total assets of this Grand Lodge are \$11,859.46 and the balance on hand \$7,208.91. The per capita tax is 50 cents per member.

The Annual Returns of the thirty-seven subordinate Lodges appear in full, in the printed proceedings.

There is no Foreign Correspondence report.

M.W. Bro. J. Fred Parker -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. S. Penrose Williams -----Grand Secretary

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

31st Annual.

Adelaide, April 15 1914.

M.W. Bro. His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Sir Samuel James Way, was unanimously re-elected Grand Master of this Grand Lodge and is said to be "senior in service of the Grand Masters of the world."

During the year nine new Lodges were consecrated, making a total of 77 Lodges now owing allegiance to this Grand Lodge.

Six new Masonic Temples were either completed, or in course of erection during the past twelve months.

Grand Lodge proposes to erect a large Masonic Hall at Adelaide. Already they have received a handsome gift of £500 from the President of the Board of General Purposes who promises to double this amount, if £4,500 is raised before June next.

Many of the country Lodges are contributing generously towards this object. We hope to learn of this laudable effort being realized at an early date.

The rank of Past Grand Master was bestowed on Bro. A. M. Simpson, Past D.G.M., and for sixteen years President of the Board of General Purposes.

The total number of subscribing members at December 31st, 1913, was 5,266, which is an increase of 362 over the previous year.

The Board of General Purposes of this Grand Lodge are opposed to the Incorporation of Lodges which in their opinion "is contrary to the Masonic Principles and inconsistent with the Constitutions of Grand Lodge."

The following statement shows the excellent work which our brethren of South Australia are continuing to do on behalf of the poor and needy:

"During the year indigent Freemasons and the widows of Freemasons of various Lodges to the number of fifteen have received periodical relief from the Benevolent Fund to the extent of £350. From the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund seventeen annuitants have received £332, whilst grants to sundry Brethren and widows have been made amounting to £206 10s 5d (included in this amount is £20 voted to Lodge Star of the East, 880, E.C. Zante, Ionian Islands, the members of which have suffered severely through an earthquake which had devastated that part of the world), and the sum of £36 5s has been paid as donations to Charitable Institutions, making in all a grand total of £925 disbursed during the year."

A history of Freemasonry in South Australia from 1854-1864 occupies seventy-six pages of the proceedings and is very interesting reading to all Masonic students.

The fourth annual report on the proceedings of Sister Grand Lodges is presented by a Committee of fourteen experienced Masons.

Bro. Lathlean in his review of Wyoming writes:

"Bro. Kuykendall thinks that our report will never prove entirely satisfactory, seeing that it is written by a committee of 14 members. We have tried the experiment for three years now, and are well satisfied with the result, and it is our intention to continue reviewing on the same lines. It is a labor of love, and calls for much self-denial on our part, as we are all busy commercial men, but we consider we are ourselves the gainers in undertaking the work, as so much Masonic knowledge and information is thus obtained by ourselves in addition to that which is imparted to our Brethren by means of these reports."

M.W. Bro. Sir Samuel James Way -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Charles R. J. Glover -----Grand Secretary

## SOUTH DAKOTA.

40th Annual.

Aberdeen, June 9th, 1914.

After the opening of Grand Lodge, the Grand Master of North Dakota, M.W. Bro. Walter L. Williamson, was received by Grand Master Williams, escorted to the Grand East and given the Grand Honors and presented with the gavel. Bro. Williamson replied in a fitting manner.

Grand Master Williamson in this annual address says:—

"Masonry that attempts to live within the four walls of its Temple and finds its only expression in its ritual and symbols, has missed the very essence of its life. Masonry is the great institution for blessing and uplifting mankind. The gospel of democracy is taught more clearly in our beloved Order, than in any other organization in the World. It is the gospel that places its value upon human life and says, 'We are going to meet upon the level and give you a fair chance in life to work and become successful.' And whenever we have been in touch with a human life, be it in a social, political, or personal relation, let us leave it better than we found it. Our work in Masonry is to unite all religions and tongues into one great brotherhood.



"If any little love of mine may make a life the sweeter,  
If any little care of mine may make another life completer,  
If any lift of mine may ease the burden of another,  
God give me love and care and strength, to help my toiling  
brother."

Four new Lodges were constituted by the Grand Master and three dispensations were issued to form new Lodges.

Under the heading of Decisions he states:—

"One of our subordinate Lodges wrote, asking me for a dispensation to hold a regular meeting in the open air. They planned to open the Lodge in the Master Mason's degree and confer the Master's degree. They also stated further, to quote from the letter 'Our hundreds of friends are looking forward with pleasure to your letter, in which you state that not only the dispensation and the privilege is granted, but that you yourself will be in attendance and take part.' I could not approve of this request, so dispensation was refused. I believe that within the walls of the Lodge room is the only place to hold such communications, further I do not believe in advertising our order. While this may have been a disappointment to the Lodge making the request (for no doubt they intended well) I truly believe my decision was for the good of our order."

He concludes his address with a review of the origin and growth of the Grand Charity and Widows' and Orphans' Funds and recommends a larger degree of generosity towards these worthy objects.

The returns show the number of chartered Lodges to be 138; number of Lodges U.D. 4; members in good standing 10,730; net gain during the year 512.

#### Honorary Grand Master.

"Upon motion of Brother Thos. H. Brown, P.G.M. it was

Resolved, That Brother John L. Turner, who was Junior Grand Warden in 1878, and Senior Grand Warden in 1879, and who has been in constant and regular attendance upon the Grand Lodge for forty years, be made Honorary Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, and that the regular Past Grand Master's Jewel be procured and presented to him at the next Grand Annual Communication."

This Grand Lodge expends for:

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| Salary, Grand Secretary -----           | \$1,800.00 |
| Salary, Grand Lecturer -----            | 800 00     |
| Salary, Assistant Grand Secretary ----- | 1,000.00   |
| Committee on Correspondence -----       | 300.00     |
| Printing -----                          | 1,000.00   |
| Mileage to representatives -----        | 1,238.00   |
| Past Grand Master's Jewels -----        | 472.00     |

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by Bro. Samuel A. Brown, P.G.M.

It is a carefully prepared and neatly arranged document.

We regret that Alberta was not included in this review.

M.W. Bro. George Philip -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. George A. Pettigrew -----Grand Secretary

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## TASMANIA.

23rd Annual.

Hobart, Feb. 19th, 1914.

After eighteen years of active service as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania, M.W. Bro. the Hon. C. E. Davies retired from office and was succeeded by His Excellency Sir W. Grey Ellison-Macartney, Governor of the State.

The total receipts of the Board of Benevolence for the year were £443 9s 5d, while the expenditures were £230 17s 3d.

The brethren of this Jurisdiction were called upon to mourn the loss of their Deputy Grand Master, Sir J. G. Davies. The Lodges throughout the Jurisdiction went into mourning for three months.

It is proposed to erect a suitable memorial to his memory and contributions towards its cost are now being collected throughout the state.

R.W. Bro. W. Horne was entrusted with the task of compiling a history of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania since its inception. His introduction is as follows:—

“The inauguration of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania mainly owes its origin to over-government. In 1887 there existed a District Grand Lodge, E.C., established at Hobart in 1875; a Provincial Grand Lodge, I.C., established at Launceston in 1884; and a District Grand Lodge, S.C., established at Launceston in 1885. The unhealthy rivalry created by these three bodies operating in a small community created a common danger, that developed into a common bond of union.

“In February, 1888, conscientious members of the three Constitutions met at Launceston, and discussed the following questions:—(1) The desirableness of establishing a Grand Lodge; (2) the lines on which the agitation should be conducted; and (3) the means best calculated to achieve success.

“The meeting was unanimously in favor of a Grand Lodge, and a Masonic Union was formed to carry out the object, the motto adopted being “Unity and unanimity, or nothing.”

“The prudent and temperate policy adopted at this meeting enabled the end in view to be attained without altering one single plank in the original platform, and rendered the movement one of union, and not of disunion. It is gratifying to record that a similar policy has marked the administration of Grand Lodge since its inception, and has enabled the anticipations of its founders to be more than realized.

“The national spirit that instigated the members of the Masonic Union soon became generally recognized, and by means of delegates to Masonic centres, and the exercise of much tact and discretion, adherents multiplied rapidly, until within two years success was assured. In March, 1890, a Convention of duly authorized delegates from every Lodge in the colony was held at Launceston (as being more central for the majority), to take the preliminary steps for the inauguration of the Grand Lodge at Hobart in the following June. The unanimous choice of the delegates for the first Grand Master fell on R.W. Bro. the Rev. R. D. Poulett-Harris, M.A., District Grand Master, E.C., a Masonic veteran, whose past career had won the respect and esteem of members of every Constitution. Some of the resolutions passed at that Convention have had in practice more far-reaching results than their then supporters anticipated. One was, that the

capital of the colony should be the seat of Masonic government. Another was, that the members of the various Lodges should be permitted to retain such regalia as they then had in use, but all new members must conform to the pattern adopted by Grand Lodge. This resulted in members who could display the green and gold or the crimson and white of the S.C., or the special braid of the I.C., becoming very proud of slight distinctions which marked them as 'Members of the Old Guard,' i.e., as Mason prior to the establishment of Grand Lodge.

"Another noteworthy feature was that, although the elective principle had been affirmed by the Convention, and the Lodges under the E.C. were in a minority, it was the Constitutions of England that were adopted until Constitutions for Tasmania could be framed; it was the English Craft regalia that was adopted as a model for Tasmania, and it was H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Grand Master of England, who was requested to become Patron of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania."

The "Emulation working" which is tacitly sanctioned by the Grand Lodge of England was, with slight modifications to suit local circumstances, adopted as the basis of working for Tasmania, with very satisfactory results.

The Fund of Benevolence was begun in 1896 and now has £4,200 to its credit.

A brief Correspondence Report appears in the printed proceedings. Alberta is not included in the number.

M.W. Bro. H. E. Sir W. Grey Ellison-Macartney.....Grand Master

M.W. Bro. John Hamilton, P.G.M. -----Grand Secretary

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## TENNESSEE.

100th Annual.

Nashville, Jan. 28, 1914.

The Proceedings of this Grand Lodge contain a full account of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, held at Knoxville on Dec. 27th, 1913. Congratulatory addresses were given by a number of distinguished

visitors from neighboring Jurisdictions, including Grand Master William D. McPherson from the Grand Lodge of Canada (in the Province of Ontario).

There were nineteen Past Grand Masters present at the opening of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee.

The Annual Address of Grand Master Charles Comstock covers 45 pages and is a complete account of his official acts during his year of office.

In summarizing the wants of subordinate Lodges he recommended the appointment of a Commission to investigate conditions and results in other Grand Jurisdictions to carefully review the situation and report to the next annual communication of Grand Lodge such recommendations as they may deem advisable, relative to the following subjects:

(a) The best method of insuring a faithful and efficient rendition of the ritual.

(b) The feasibility of the system of visitation by District Deputy Grand Masters, or otherwise.

(c) The methods and advantages of well conducted schools of instruction.

(d) The advisability of affixing a maximum membership in subordinate Lodges, and the wisdom of encouraging the formation of new Lodges, after such limit had been reached.

(e) The best method of insuring the proficiency of newly elected Masters and Wardens, before their installation.

(f) The advisability of permitting more than a year's successive service in the office of the Master.

(g) How to provide the best opportunities for service and the attainment of knowledge to the young and zealous brother.

(h) The advisability of increasing the fees for dispensations and charters, and for degrees, also regarding a uniformity of fees between Lodges having concurrent jurisdiction.

(i) Questions of inter-jurisdictional interest, requiring legislative action.

The Committee on Ways and Means recommended the following, which were adopted by Grand Lodge.

1. That Grand Lodge continue its membership in the General Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

2. That Bro. H. A. Chambers be paid \$200 for writing the Report on Correspondence.

3. That \$100 be appropriated to pay for the painting of portrait of Grand Master Comstock.

4. That an appropriation of \$100 be paid the Travellers' Aid Society. This Society is a non-sectarian organization to provide assistance to unprotected young women.

5. That the Masonic Code be revised, and distributed.

6. That some provision be made, authorizing and empowering the Grand Master, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, acting together, during the interim of the Grand Lodge to make such donations out of the general funds of the Grand Lodge as in their judgment would be expedient for the relief of sufferers in cases of great calamity in the State.

Before vacating the Chair, Brother Comstock presented the signet ring to his successor in office. This is a beautiful custom which other Grand Lodges might with propriety adopt.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by Bro. Henry A. Chambers, P.G.M. Alberta for 1913 is fraternally reviewed.

M.W. Bro. Thomas J. Bonner -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. John B. Garrett -----Grand Secretary

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## TEXAS.

79th Annual.

Waco, Dec. 1, 1914.

Nineteen Lodges were regularly constituted by Grand Master A. W. Houston or his Representative.

Five new Lodges were granted dispensations.

The corner-stones of twenty-four buildings were laid by the Fraternity during the year.

Dispensations were granted to five Lodges authorizing them to hold public installation of their officers on other than St. John's Day.

No less than 32 pages of the printed proceedings were required to give in full, the 205 decisions of Grand Master Houston. A careful study of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Lodge would obviate in many cases the necessity of troubling the busiest Mason in the Jurisdiction.

We quote a few of his decisions:—

“An applicant for the degrees, to Proctor Lodge No. 775, had lived at Proctor all his life, up to about a year before making such application, when he moved to Gonzales County, and made application to a Lodge there for the degrees, but before receiving them returned to Proctor. Held that by making application for the degrees in Gonzales County applicant recognized such county as his residence, and would have to reside six months at Proctor before Proctor Lodge could act upon his application, and said Lodge should ascertain what action, if any, was taken by the Gonzales County Lodge upon the application made to it.

“That it would be in contravention of the edicts of the Grand Lodge for a subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction to ask contributions from other Lodges to assist in rebuilding their hall, destroyed by fire.

“That property occupied and used exclusively for Masonic purposes is not subject to taxation, in this State.

“Held that a Masonic Lodge cannot permit the I.O.O.F. and the W.O.W., whose halls have been destroyed by fire, to meet in their Lodge room.

“Held that any member can object to the visits to the Lodge of a dimitted Brother, and it does not require a vote of the Lodge to determine the question.

“Held that a dimitted Brother has no right to join in Masonic processions or public demonstrations.

“Held that this Grand Lodge assumes jurisdiction over rejected material for a period of five years.

“Held that subordinate Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction cannot confer degrees upon request of Lodges of other Jurisdiction, under any circumstances.

“Held that no part of the esoteric or secret work can be conferred on more than one candidate at a time, and that the

secret work must be conferred on all candidates individually and separately.

"(This ruling is not intended to prohibit the monitorial or lecture work being given to more than one candidate at a time.)

"Held that any member of any Lodge can object to sitting in open Lodge with a member of another Lodge, if he so desires.

"Held that a Masonic temple can be dedicated, even though the same has an indebtedness upon it which has not been entirely paid.

"Held that it is not permissible to have a Business Men's Bible Class, organized under the auspices of the Methodist Church, meet in a Masonic Lodge room.

"Held that Masons will not lay the corner-stone of a brick veneer building.

"Held that a dispensation will not be granted to lay a corner-stone on Sunday.

"Held that the Grand Master's decision is all that is necessary in regard to the maim or defect of an applicant, and the Worshipful Master does not have to declare the petitioner ineligible, nor the ballot be spread in his case.

In 73 cases where applicants had some physical defect, permission was granted to confer degrees. Would it not be wise for the Grand Lodge of Texas to adopt some regulation, defining definitely what defects will not disqualify an applicant for Freemasonry?

There are 872 chartered Lodges and six U.D. with a total membership of 63,394.

At the rate of one-half cent per capita, this Grand Lodge paid one year's dues amounting to \$293.60 to the Masonic Board of Relief of the United States and Canada.

The Most Worshipful, the Grand Master of Oregon, addressed a letter to each of the Grand Masters of the United States asking them to join the Brethren of Oregon in subscribing one dollar per member towards the relief of the distressed members of the Fraternity and their widows and orphans in the grief-stricken zones of the nations at war.



It was agreed that an appeal be made to each of the subordinate Lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction for subscriptions towards this most worthy object.

The total cost of the Masonic Orphans' Home for the year was \$51,840.74.

Average enrolment of children, 205.

Per capita cost of maintenance, \$252.88.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is presented by those whose work we have perused with interest. We have pleasure in following the example of our worthy Brother by copying in full this beautiful poem.

#### THE LODGE ROOM OVER SIMPKINS' STORE

By Lawrence N. Greenleaf, Past Grand Master of Colorado.

The plainest Lodge room in the land was over Simpkins' store,  
Where Friendship Lodge had met each month for fifty years  
or more.

When o'er the earth the moon, full-orbed had cast her brightest  
beams,

The Brethren came from miles around on horesback and in  
teams,

And O! what hearty grasp of hand, what welcome met them  
there,

As mingling with the waiting groups they slowly mount the  
stair,

Exchanging fragmentary news or prophesies of the crop,  
Until they reach the Tiler's room and current topics drop,  
To turn their thought to nobler themes they cherish and adore,  
And which were heard on meeting night up over Simpkins'  
store.

To city eyes, a cheerless room, long usage had defaced  
The tell-tale lines of lath and beam on wall and ceiling traced.  
The light from oil-fed lamps was dim and yellow in its hue,  
The carpet once could pattern boast, though now 'twas lost  
to view.

The alter and the pedestals that marked the stations three,  
The gate-post pillars topped with balls, the rude-carved Letter  
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Were village joiner's clumsy work, with many things beside,  
Where beauty's lines were all effaced and ornament denied.  
There could be left no lingering doubt, if doubt there was  
before,

The plainest Lodge room in the land was over Simpkins' store.

While musing thus on outward form the meeting time drew  
 near,  
 And we had glimpse of inner life through watchful eye and ear.  
 When Lodge convened at gavel's sound with officers in place.  
 We looked for strange, conglomerate work, but could no errors  
 trace;

The more we saw, the more we heard, the greater our amaze,  
 To find those country Brethren there so skilled in Masons'  
 ways.

But greater marvels were to come before the night was  
 through,

Where unity was not mere name, but fell on heart like dew,  
 Where tenets had the mind imbued, and truths rich fruitage  
 bore,

In plainest Lodge room in the land, up over Simpkins' store.

To hear the record of their acts was music to the ear,  
 We sing of deeds unwritten which on angel's scroll appear.  
 A widow's case—four helpless ones—Lodge funds were running  
 low,

A dozen Brethren sprang to feet and offers were not slow.  
 Food, raiment, things of needful sort, while one gave load of  
 wood,

Another, shoes for little ones, for each gave what he could.  
 Then spake the last: "I haven't things like these to give—but  
 then,

"Some ready money may help out"—and he laid down a ten.  
 Were Brother cast on darkest square upon life's checkered  
 floor,

A beacon light to reach the white—was over Simpkins' store.

Like scoffer who remained to pray, impressed by sight and  
 sound,

The faded carpet 'neath our feet was now like holy ground.  
 The walls that had such dingy look were turned celestial blue,  
 The ceiling changed to canopy where stars were shining  
 through.

Bright tongues of flame from altar leaped, the G was vivid  
 blaze,

All common things seemed glorified by heaven's reflected rays  
 O! wondrous transformation wrought through ministry of  
 love—

Behold the Lodge room beautiful!—fair type of that above.  
 The vision fades—the lesson lives! and taught as ne'er before,  
 In plainest Lodge room in the land—up over Simpkins' store.

M.W. Bro. J. P. Lightfoot -----Grand Master

R.W. Bro. W. B. Pearson -----Grand Secretary

## VERMONT.

121st Annual.

Burlington, June 10, 1914.

Bro. Charles H. Darling, Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

Grand Master Eugene S. Weston gave the following rulings:

1. The appointment of a secret investigating committee on the application for the degrees, or for affiliation is not allowable.

2. Requests for waiver of jurisdiction from foreign jurisdictions cannot emanate from Vermont.

3. A Lodge cannot receive the application of one of Mongolian blood.

This Grand Lodge has \$1,700 set aside as a nucleus for a Charity or Home Fund. Regarding this the Grand Master says:

"I do not think that we should determine, at present, whether this shall be a Home fund, or a Charity fund. It will be a number of years before we can apply it to either use, and conditions may change, so we should wish, then, to use it in a different manner from that which might appeal to us today. I have always been a firm believer in the idea of a Masonic Home, and have so advocated. But, Brethren, in the past two years, I have devoted a good deal of study to the matter, and I am now of the opinion that we could administer relief in a more satisfactory manner, from a Charity fund. Twenty-five of the forty-nine jurisdictions of the United States, are supporting homes, and all who are doing so, are enthusiasts about them, and take just pride in the fact. Now what is the cost to them?

Two of them, I am unable to state the cost. Massachusetts levies no per capita tax, but requires \$5 from each one, applying for the degrees, in addition to fee. Two levy a per capita tax for the general fund, and take from that fund whatever is needed.

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| One levies a per capita of ..... | \$0.25 |
| And \$1 from each degree.        |        |
| Two levy a per capita of .....   | .30    |
| Two levy a per capita of .....   | .30    |
| And \$5.50 from each initiation. |        |
| One levies a per capita of ..... | .35    |

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| One levies a per capita of ----- | .40  |
| Five levy a per capita of -----  | .50  |
| Three levy a per capita of ----- | .75  |
| One levies a per capita of ----- | .90  |
| And \$5.00 from each initiation. |      |
| Two levy a per capita of -----   | 1.00 |
| One levies a per capita of ----- | 1.00 |
| And \$5.00 from each initiation. |      |
| One levies a per capita of ----- | 1.25 |
| One levies a per capita of ----- | 1.50 |

One Grand Master told me at St. Louis, that they paid all bills due from general fund, at each session of the Grand Lodge, and then covered all that was left into the Home Fund.

"One Grand Lodge sustains a home, where their membership is practically the same as ours, and where they find the per capita expense to be about \$8 per week. Another, where the membership is approximately 75,000, find that it costs \$6.30, the only reason that can be given for the difference is that the overhead expenses will be about the same for the small home as for the larger one. If these figures seem large, I refer you to the expense of running our Soldiers' Home, at Bennington, where, with from 90 to 100 inmates, it costs between \$6 and \$7 per week for each inmate. I mention these facts, not to influence you, as to how the fund shall be administered, but that you may investigate along these lines, before coming to any decision. One thing I ask of you, and that is that you go on increasing our fund, every year, leaving the question of how it shall have accumulated to a sum sufficient to make use of."

He concludes his able address with these lines:

"An old man, going a lone highway,  
Came at the evening, cold and grey,  
To a chasm vast and deep and wide.  
The old man crossed in the twilight dim,  
The sullen stream had no fear for him;  
But he turned when safe on the other side  
And built a bridge to span the tide.

'Old man', said a fellow pilgrim near,  
 'You are wasting your strength with building here;  
 Your journey will end with the ending day,  
 You never again will pass this way;  
 You've crossed the chasm deep and wide,  
 Why build you this bridge at even-tide?'  
 The builder lifted his old grey head—  
 'Good friend, in the path I have come', he said,  
 'There followeth after me to-day,  
 A youth, whose feet must pass this way.  
 This chasm, that has been as naught to me,  
 To that fair haired youth, may a pitfall be;  
 He, too, must cross in the twilight dim—  
 Good friend, I am building this bridge for him.'"

The number of chartered Lodges is 103 having an aggregate membership of 13,874, a net gain of 264 during the year.

Thirteen District Deputy Grand Masters present brief reports of their official acts during the year. They were active in the discharge of their duties and did much to further the interests of the Craft.

The Committee on Grievances reported that no matter had been referred to them during the session.

The Committee on Necrology made a brief reference to the life and works of each of the distinguished Grand Lodge Officers in the various Jurisdictions who have crossed the Great Divide during the year.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by Bro. M. O. Perkins, P.G.M., and is one of the best it has been my privilege to read. May our good Brother be long spared to continue the work so ably performed by him.

M.W. Bro. Charles H. Darling -----Grand Master  
 R.W. Bro. Henry H. Ross -----Grand Secretary

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## WASHINGTON.

57th Annual.

Tacoma, June 9th, 1914.

After prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Grand Master A. H. Hankerson, opened the Grand Lodge of Washington, in Ample

Form, on the third degree of Masonry, M.W. Bro. Frank N. McCandless, Grand Representative of Alberta, was present at the various sessions and took an active part in the proceedings.

The Grand Master constituted three Lodges, laid the corner-stones of five public buildings and issued dispensations for the institution of six new Lodges.

The returns of Lodges show a net gain of 1,135 members and a total membership of 19,542.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica and an exchange of representatives authorized.

The Grand Master was authorized to invite the Masons of British Columbia to unite with them in participating in an appropriate manner in the services and ceremonies of the celebration of one hundred years of peace between Great Britain and the United States of America.

This Grand Lodge resolved to discontinue its subscription to "The Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada."

Grand Master Hankerson recommended that, that portion of the installation ceremony generally known as the Secrets of the Chair be either entirely dispensed with, or given only in such form as shall be promulgated by the Custodians of the work.

The Committee on Jurisprudence however recommended that no change be made in this regard. In their opinion, Grand Lodge being composed to a certain extent of Wardens of Lodges has no authority to change the ancient ceremonies of installation.

Bro. R. C. McAllister, P.G.M., presents a brief but interesting report on the proceedings of other Jurisdictions.

M.W. Bro. William J. Sutton -----Grand Master  
R.W. Bro. Horace W. Tyler -----Grand Secretary

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## WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Quarterly Communications were held.

M.W. Bro. The Rt. Rev. C. O. L. Riley, Lord Bishop of Perth was installed as Grand Master for the eleventh term.

An Application for recognition was received from the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands. The Board of General Purposes

recommended that further information be obtained before granting recognition.

The Benevolent Board paid £770 in annuities during the year. Since this Grand Lodge was established in 1900 there has been distributed in Benevolence the sum of £6,241 of which £1,987 has been given to cases from other Constitutions.

An unprecedented record has been established by the Subordinate Lodges of Western Australia, in the fact that there is not a single Lodge in arrears, making the twelfth year in succession that this happy state of affairs has been brought about.

At the formation of this Grand Lodge in 1900 there were 33 Lodges on the roll with a membership of 2,000. Now there are 95 Lodges with a membership of 4,042 being a gain of 95 for the year.

The reports of the six District Inspectors are interesting and show that genuine interest is being taken in the work of these officials.

The general remarks offered by Deputy Grand Master Bro. J. S. Battye are worthy of thought and consideration.

His concluding words were:

"And now, brethren, may I speak just a few words regarding Freemasonry generally? What is Freemasonry? To use the time-honored phrases of our Ritual, it is 'a system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols.' But does that expression fully disclose its true inwardness? Is the full appreciation of the 'mystic tie' completely set forth in it? Does it reveal to the full the ethical principles by which the Craft is sustained? Most of us who have given the matter thought will, I think, recognize that no system of words can adequately express all that is implied in the term Freemasonry. In saying this I do not for a moment wish to depreciate the symbolism which is the outward and visible expression of great moral truths. One of the earliest lessons that Freemasonry teaches us is the value of true benevolence, charity, and toleration. Intolerance of wrong, indeed, is one of its predominant features; charity is its guiding star; and the hopes, fears, weaknesses and aspirations of human nature all find a place within its borders. Thus it holds a position that no moral system other than the Divine has achieved since the birth of time. The keynote of the whole structure of Freemasonry is self-abnegation in its truest sense, and in that respect its value upon citizenship cannot be over-estimated. In the far-off days of

that great upheaval by which the feudal system became merged in the civic and the face of government completely changed, Freemasonry stood for freedom of conscience and liberty of thought. In fact, throughout its long life—a life that has never been clearly defined—we find that, whilst obeying the law of the land, it has ever kept in view the welfare and betterment of the whole community. The principles of the level and the square have ever been at the foundation of the Craft, and in those principles many charitable and benevolent schemes have had their genesis.

“Freemasonry has played no small part in the national existence of many civilized lands; but though the outward expression may be by no means inconsiderable, the value of its true inwardness can never be estimated.

“Self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-control—these three alone lead life to sovereign power,” sings one of the greatest of English bards, and the full expression of that truth cannot better be found than in the outward semblance of that true inwardness built up by the “system of morality illustrated by symbols.

“Sincerity is the test of all true goodness of heart and mind, and in that respect no order, mediæval or other, has done more for the world than Freemasonry, which for centuries past has stood for nobleness of dealing and purity of heart. Like a crimson thread running through its history, we find the virtues of humility, reverence, charity, and brotherly love, and to the highest of ideals it unites a practical example that in the present materialistic age is like an oasis in a thirsty land.

“It tells of the goodness of God and His unquenchable mercy, and, with this Divine mercy as its prototype, it teaches that mercy is the crowning attribute of man. Measured by the principles of the level and the plumb rule, are we, brethren, following out the truest tenets of our Craft? If such be the case, then our actions in the world outside the precincts of the Lodge will show us to be men in the highest and deepest meaning of the term. To the Mason at heart, envy, hate, jealousy and all uncharitableness are passions alien to the serenity of his soul.

“An unbeliever cannot be a Freemason. Set up against us as the pinnacle of our Ritual is the Volume of the Sacred Law, and the world holds no more perjured villain than that man who swears to truth with unbelief in his heart.



"Hoary with an antiquity that precludes all thought of civil freedom and expansion, our Order has led the cause of freedom in many lands, and I trust, brethren, that we in these latter days have not deteriorated from our high ideals. Broad as the universe itself are the principles and tenets of the Craft. Within its portals all distinctions save those of goodness and virtue disappear. Prince and peasant alike take their stand upon the unchanging level. We meet as brothers and whatever our stations in life, no matter what the earthly distinctions to which we may have attained, our hearts are charged with love towards one another and charity to all men, so that with hand and heart we may do what in us lies for the assistance of the poor and needy.

"Is not this, brethren, the highest ideal of citizenship? From century to century the light of Divine mercy has been our beacon. We have followed it as our only law, knowing that it far transcends the mercy of man, for "the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind."

"We may never attain the realisation of our high standard but as we press on towards the heights, secure in the promises of Divine Law, we will approach nearer and yet nearer 'to that Eternal Grand Lodge from which all goodness emanates.'

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by a committee of eight of which Bro. J. D. Stevenson was Chairman. It occupies 142 closely printed pages of the proceedings. There is ample evidence that much time and care was exercised in the preparation of this interesting report.

M.W. Bro. C. O. L. Riley -----Grand Master  
W. Bro. O. A. Connell -----Asst. Grand Secretary

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## WISCONSIN.

70th Annual.

Milwaukee, June 9th, 1914.

This Grand Lodge was organized in 1844. There were then three Lodges with a total membership of 79; now there are 273 Lodges having a membership of 29,242.

Grand Master Wheeler says:

"With such a record and such a growth, with Peace, Harmony and Plenty prevailing throughout our Jurisdiction, we have ample reason to be satisfied with the past, thankful for present blessings, and confident of future prosperity. There are some who think Freemasonry should be more broadly utilitarian than it is, more aggressive in its relation to civic and philanthropic affairs, and not so self-centered in its limited sphere of usefulness. Those who take such radical ground have little conception of the real spirit or true grandeur of Masonry. They forget that Freemasonry is purely and simply an organization of human brotherhood for mutual helpfulness. It is a peculiar institution, doing a peculiar work in the world, in its own peculiar way."

The Grand Master of Wisconsin is given an annual allowance of \$1,000.00, to expend on charity.

This is an excellent practice which might well be adopted by other Grand Jurisdictions.

Four corner-stones were laid by Grand Lodge Officials during the year.

The Grand Master says:

"It is a pleasure to note the laying of the corner-stones of two churches, both in Milwaukee, during the year. We may treat it as a harbinger of increasingly cordial relations between Masonry and the church. Indeed it is a most encouraging sign of the times to note that the Christian Church is coming to recognize more and more fully the fact that Masonry is a most valuable ally in the moral and religious regeneration of the world."

Bro. Rev. J. T. Pryor has been Grand Chaplain of this Grand Lodge for nine years, and has been in constant attendance for the past forty-two years. An enviable record.

The Committee on "Ritual for Cremation" asked for further time to prepare their report, which was granted.

The salary of Grand Secretary Perry was increased from \$1,500 to \$1,800.

Bro. Aldro Jenks, Foreign Correspondent, receives an annual allowance of \$600 for his services. His report is complete and interesting throughout.

While reviewing the proceedings of Prince Edward Island, he has the following to say regarding "Documentary Evidence":

"In order that the brethren of Prince Edward Island may be provided with documentary evidence, the Grand Secretary has prepared a certificate which ought to satisfy the most hypocritical, as it bears the auto-signature of the Grand Secretary and the impress of the seal of Grand Lodge as well as the signature of the Subordinate Lodge Secretary, with an impression of the seal of the Subordinate Lodge. To this, the brother is required to affix his own signature and the date to which his dues are paid is certified to by the Secretary of his Lodge. In addition, provision is made for mounting a photo of the Brother himself on the back of the document with the seal of the Lodge stamped through the photo, thus defying its being tampered with or being presented by any one other than the rightful owner. We would suggest that in addition to this, the Bertillion measurement of the brother [with] the impress of his thumb mark might also be attached. We almost regret having made the foregoing suggestion, for fear some Grand Lodge will take it seriously and adopt such a regulation. 'What fools we mortals be.'"

Bro. Jenks is preparing a special report on Masonic Homes, which will doubtless be of interest to the whole Craft.

On this question he says:

"The Masons of Rhode Island are contemplating the establishment of a Masonic Home. A committee to whom the matter was referred for investigation reported that twenty-five out of the forty-nine Jurisdictions in the United States have a home of some kind, but that the committee is of the opinion 'that it is generally conceded that the maintenance of a Home is an expensive means of dispensing Masonic charity, but there can be no question but that the establishment of such an institution is a definite object to which the Masons in every Jurisdiction where they exist may contemplate with pleasure and point with just pride to this tangible evidence of the exemplification of Masonic charity.'"

"We have no doubt this sums the matter up very accurately. We wish, however, to point out how unmasonic it is for Masons to make a display of their charity. According to the teaching of the man of Galilee, should be done in secret, so that even the left hand may not be aware of the bounty that has fallen from the right. How far removed this is

from the 'pointing with pride' to a stately edifice sheltering a number of unfortunate Masons who are used as an object lesson, to proclaim to the world the charitable disposition of the fraternity, is evident."

M.W. Bro. Bernard F. Keeler -----Grand Master

R.W. Bro. William W. Perry -----Grand Secretary

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### CONCLUSION.

In compiling this brief report, we have freely quoted from others, feeling confident that by so doing we were giving our readers a wider range of thought and vision than by attempting to give expression to the thoughts of others in our own language.

Peace, harmony and prosperity seem to reign supreme among the Grand Jurisdictions with which we hold fraternal intercourse.

Slight differences caused by invasion of Jurisdiction are easily removed and, largely through the interchange of thought by our beloved correspondents in other Jurisdictions, a better understanding has been arrived at.

Larger funds than heretofore are being collected for Benevolence. The Widow and Orphan no longer go unaided and comfort and consolation are brought to many a home. Several Grand Jurisdictions have erected magnificent homes for the needy, while many others systematically dispense aid as necessity requires.

Masonry in its earliest days was a Craft operative in its nature, but by reason of its environment and through social conditions became a speculative science, dealing wholly in rules and guides for our faith and moral conduct.

Again a change is taking place and Masonry is becoming an intensely practical human institution. Works are taking the place of words. Our professions are taking form in Masonic Relief Associations, in Masonic Homes and other charities and are only limited by our capacity to fulfil the ever increasing demands now presenting themselves.

In the present great struggle for right and supremacy among many nations of the earth, the call for help is loud and frequent, and the Grand Lodges of the world are making this their supreme duty. May we all prove ourselves equal to the great task, and may a greater brotherhood be the outcome of this mighty conflict.

We are pleased to observe that more attention is being given to the intellectual side of Freemasonry. Courses of lectures are now given by well skilled Craftsmen in several jurisdictions, and it is generally admitted that something more than the recital of the work of the degrees, beautiful as it undoubtedly is, must be included in order to retain the interest and attention of thoughtful students of Freemasonry.

To my good brethren of the Round Table, I desire to express my gratitude for the words of appreciation of my humble efforts as Reviewer.

Lack of space prevented my including many worthy thoughts and important items of information.

I hope that my brethren who read these pages will enjoy its contents as much as the writer has in compiling the same.

Yours fraternally,

S. Y. TAYLOR, Chairman.

Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

## GENERAL TABLE.

The following table shows the number of members as per last report at hand, and as compared with last prior report :

|                                | 1913      | 1914      | Gain   |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Alabama . . . . .              | 25,471    | 26,397    | 926    |
| Arkansas . . . . .             | 19,895    | 20,534    | 639    |
| Arizona . . . . .              | 2,014     | 2,118     | 104    |
| California . . . . .           | 48,315    | 50,257    | 1,942  |
| Colorado . . . . .             | 15,532    | 16,139    | 607    |
| Connecticut . . . . .          | 23,770    | 24,281    | 511    |
| Delaware . . . . .             | 3,285     | 3,358     | 73     |
| District of Columbia . . . . . | 9,317     | 9,599     | 282    |
| Florida . . . . .              | 10,794    | 11,437    | 643    |
| Georgia . . . . .              | 36,806    | 38,425    | 1,619  |
| Idaho . . . . .                | 3,844     | 4,012     | 168    |
| Illinois . . . . .             | 110,950   | 122,233   | 11,283 |
| Indiana . . . . .              | 60,168    | 63,035    | 2,867  |
| Iowa . . . . .                 | 45,997    | 47,585    | 1,588  |
| Kansas . . . . .               | 38,877    | 40,668    | 1,791  |
| Kentucky . . . . .             | 38,782    | 40,459    | 1,677  |
| Louisiana . . . . .            | 14,502    | 15,152    | 650    |
| Maine . . . . .                | 29,345    | 29,872    | 527    |
| Maryland . . . . .             | 14,813    | 15,766    | 953    |
| Massachusetts . . . . .        | 60,844    | 63,290    | 2,446  |
| Michigan . . . . .             | 68,396    | 71,752    | 3,356  |
| Minnesota . . . . .            | 26,543    | 27,447    | 904    |
| Mississippi . . . . .          | 18,931    | 19,103    | 172    |
| Missouri . . . . .             | 55,737    | 58,237    | 2,500  |
| Montana . . . . .              | 6,460     | 6,977     | 517    |
| Nebraska . . . . .             | 19,269    | 20,144    | 875    |
| Nevada . . . . .               | 1,846     | 1,886     | 40     |
| New Hampshire . . . . .        | 10,480    | 10,620    | 140    |
| New Jersey . . . . .           | 34,855    | 36,649    | 1,794  |
| New Mexico . . . . .           | 2,987     | 3,208     | 221    |
| New York . . . . .             | 179,926   | 186,179   | 6,253  |
| North Carolina . . . . .       | 21,479    | 22,314    | 835    |
| North Dakota . . . . .         | 8,354     | 8,666     | 312    |
| Ohio . . . . .                 | 86,493    | 90,666    | 4,173  |
| Oklahoma . . . . .             | 23,353    | 23,353    | 0      |
| Oregon . . . . .               | 11,410    | 12,315    | 905    |
| Pennsylvania . . . . .         | 106,242   | 110,630   | 4,388  |
| Rhode Island . . . . .         | 8,117     | 8,461     | 344    |
| Carried forward . . . . .      | 1,280,846 | 1,363,424 | 82,378 |

GENERAL TABLE—Continued.

|                           | 1913      | 1914                   | Gain          |
|---------------------------|-----------|------------------------|---------------|
| Brought forward.....      | 1,280,846 | 1,363,424              | 82,378        |
| South Carolina.....       | 13,772    | 14,281                 | 509           |
| South Dakota.....         | 9,701     | 10,221                 | 520           |
| Tennessee.....            | 25,589    | 26,242                 | 653           |
| Texas.....                | 56,071    | 58,724                 | 2,653         |
| Utah.....                 | 1,984     | 2,081                  | 97            |
| Vermont.....              | 13,443    | 13,610                 | 167           |
| Virginia.....             | 22,843    | 23,392                 | 549           |
| Washington.....           | 17,119    | 18,407                 | 1,288         |
| West Virginia.....        | 15,768    | 15,768                 | .....         |
| Wisconsin.....            | 27,233    | 28,082                 | 849           |
| Wyoming.....              | 2,845     | 3,036                  | 191           |
| Alberta.....              | 4,498     | 5,382                  | 884           |
| British Columbia.....     | 5,776     | 6,344                  | 568           |
| Ontario, Canada.....      | 50,721    | 53,699                 | 2,978         |
| Manitoba.....             | 5,967     | 6,455                  | 488           |
| New Brunswick.....        | 3,044     | 3,320                  | 276           |
| Nova Scotia.....          | 6,456     | 6,528                  | 72            |
| Prince Edward Island..... | 741       | 769                    | 28            |
| Quebec.....               | 7,021     | 7,362                  | 341           |
| Saskatchewan.....         | 4,500     | 4,500                  | .....         |
| New Zealand.....          | 12,309    | 12,695                 | 386           |
| South Australia.....      | 4,424     | 4,904                  | 480           |
| Tasmania.....             | 1,443     | 1,443                  | .....         |
| New South Wales.....      | 16,036    | 17,524                 | 1,488         |
| Western Australia.....    | 3,788     | 3,949                  | 161           |
| Victoria.....             | .....     | 12,310                 | 12,310        |
| York, Mexico.....         | 1,203     | 1,172                  | - 31          |
| England.....              | .....     | .....                  | .....         |
| Ireland.....              | .....     | .....                  | .....         |
| Scotland.....             | .....     | .....                  | .....         |
| Total.....                | 1,615,141 | 1,725,424<br>1,615,141 | 110,314<br>31 |
|                           |           | 110,283                | 110,283       |

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